

French And Germans In Fierce Battle

NEWS FROM CITY HALL AND DEPARTMENT WORK

Comm'r Carmichael to Help the
School Department—Dummer
Street Extension—Other Items

Commissioner Duncan is investigating the school board's request for \$5000 to piece out the year. The commissioner believes that the amount asked for is really needed, but thus far he has not been able to obtain an itemized statement as to actual needs. He has learned that the school department will have \$23,500.45 to its credit after the payroll has been provided for tomorrow and that the department will be about \$2990 short on its next pay-roll.

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SUED BY P.O. DEPARTMENT

Charge of Fraudulent Use of the
Mails Brought Against Maine
Man—Lowell Woman a Witness

Mrs. Abbie Gates of 75 Gates street, this city, was one of 11 women, alleged victims from all over New England, of Lewis J. Marshall of Lisbon Falls, Me., who signs himself Supreme Dictator of the United States. He conducts a mail order business in how-to-be made by women at home. Mrs. Gates was summoned to appear in the United States district court at Portland, Me., for the trial of Marshall on a charge of using the United States mails in a scheme to defraud. The trial opened yesterday and was resumed again today.

Marshall's advertisement in the Female Help Wanted column had previously been read by tens of thousands of ambitious women in the last five years or so, who would have been glad of a chance to make a few dollars at home in spare time. The extent of his operations is shown by the fact that among the 11 women summoned heretofore court, were residents of Lowell, Haverhill, Peabody, West Somerville and Amesbury and several New Hampshire and Maine cities and towns.

The advertisement which with its subsequent circulars and letters from Marshall, has stirred up the postoffice department, whose inspectors have worked on the case for years, has long appeared in the papers in this form:

"Female Help Wanted—Women to make silk bows at home; sent to any address; sample and instructions, 10 cents. Marshall & Co., Lisbon Falls, Me."

A short time ago when the postoffice department was holding up Marshall's mail, he applied unsuccessfully in the United States district court at Portland.

That Sourness in Your Stomach Is a Call for Help

Being too weak properly to digest your food, which may be over-rich, over-abundant or otherwise unsuitable, the stomach needs the aid of Dys-pep-tics to correct the sourness, relieve distress, nausea, heartburn, waterbrash, etc. These delicious sugar-coated tablets contain mint, pepsin, bismuth, rhubarb and other things that warm, sweeten and strengthen the stomach and enable it to do its work well. Why not try a box today? An aluminum pocket box costs but 10c. Larger sizes 25c, 50c and \$1.

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1200 GERMANS TAKEN IN NEW FRENCH DRIVE

Austrian Submarine Captured—Con-
queror of Liege Dead—Second An-
cona Note Reaches Vienna—Eng-
land's Demand for Million Men Ap-
proved—British Troops Withdrawn

After the French had made an im-
portant gain in the Vosges region,
capturing the summit of Hartmanns-
weilerkopf, the Germans vigorously
counter-attacked and, according to
Berlin regained a portion of the lost
position. Some 1200 Germans were
made prisoners in the French drive,
Paris claims.

Bad weather is interfering with op-
erations on most of the western front
and official statements indicate little
activity in the eastern war theatre.
Neither are important developments re-
ported from the Balkans.

Austrian Submarine Captured
A roundabout report from Malta is
to the effect that an Austrian subma-
rine has been captured by two tor-
pedo boats, presumably Italian.

Japanese Steamer Sunk
The Japanese steamer Sada Maru is
reported to have been sunk in the

eastern Mediterranean by a German or
an Austrian submarine.

Conqueror of Liege Dead
The death of Gen. von Emmich, the
conqueror of Liege, is announced in
Berlin.

U. S. Note Received
The second American note to Aus-
trian-Hungary on the Ancona case has
been delivered, a despatch from Vienna
states.

Alleged Bombardment
The Turkish official report declares
the allied fleet unsuccessfully attempt-
ed a violent bombardment to de-
stroy the stores which the British left
behind them in their evacuation of the
Suvla bay and Anzac zones on the Gal-
lipoli peninsula.

Withdrawal Was Disorderly
Berlin has Constantinople advices re-

iterating that the withdrawal from Gal-
lipoli was disorderly instead of sys-
tematic and virtually without losses
as the British official statements de-
clare, it being asserted in the Berlin
reports that the British even left their
sick and wounded behind.

Grants Appeal for Million Men
The British house of commons, after
an all night debate, approved the gov-
ernment's demand for one million ad-
ditional men for the army. Oppo-
nents of conscription figured promi-
nently in the discussion.

More British Troops Withdrawn
From German sources comes state-
ments that nearly all the British
troops have been withdrawn from the
Aegean islands of Imbros, Lemnos and
Tenedos, their destination being Sa-
loniki.

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ARREST "MISSING LINK"

Edmund Justice Held in Con-
nection With Alleged Con-
spiracy Against Allies

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Edmund Jus-
tice, a night watchman employed by
the Atlas Steamship company, a sub-
sidiary of the Hamburg-American line,
was arrested by federal officers this
afternoon charged with being a party
to the conspiracy directed from this
country against the entente allies by
Paul Koenig and other alleged Ger-
man agents.

Justice was taken into custody at
his home in South Brooklyn and with
his arrest the authorities believe they
have found the "missing link" in the
Koenig case.

It is charged that at Koenig's di-
rection Justice accompanied Frederick

Metzler, who also is under arrest, to
Quebec and there sought to determine
the number of troops being sent to the
United Kingdom, what ships they
would sail on, together with details of
artillery equipment and other supplies
being sent abroad.

It is alleged that such activities
were part of a military plot directed
from the United States and as such
violated federal statutes.

VON PAPEN GOES HOME

Recalled Attache Sails—Thanks
Friends in U. S.—Glad of Chance
to Go to Trenches

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Captain
Franz von Papen, Germany's recalled
military attache, left New York for
Rotterdam today on the steamship
Noordam, hearing a safe conduct to
Germany from the entente allies. De-
parting, he issued this final statement
to the American people:

"In leaving this country, where I
have received so many proofs of kind-
ness and hospitality from Americans
and others, I deem it my duty to
thank all those who did not permit
their friendly personal feelings to be

poisoned by the hatred created by the
war among the nations.
"My thoughts turn back expressly
to those unforgettable days when I
had the honor and good fortune to
spend some time with the expedition-
ary force at Vera Cruz, where I learn-
ed to admire the splendid soldierly
quality and devotion to duty of the
United States army.

"Personally speaking, no greater
satisfaction could be given to me than
the fulfillment of my ardent desire
to be called home where soldiers are
far more urgently needed than here.
"I leave my post without any feeling
of bitterness, because I know too well
that when history is once written it
will establish our clear records despite
all the misrepresentation and calum-
nies spread broadcast at present.

"The New York World which cer-
tainly is not open to the suspicion of
harboring friendly feeling for my
country, stated very fairly when dis-
cussing my recall, 'now that the mat-
ter is settled the fact should be em-
phasized that the state department
made no charges against Capt. von
Papen and Capt. Boy-Ed which reflect-
ed in slightest degree on their honor
as officers.' Certain newspapers have
made reckless charges which could not
be supported by evidence, but the
United States government never inti-

U. S. TROOPS AT EL PASO GIVEN ORDERS TO FIRE

Instructed to "Return Vigorously
Any Further Deliberate Firing"
From Mexico

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—American
troops at El Paso, the war department
announced today have been given or-
ders to "return vigorously any further
deliberate firing" from the Mexican
side of the border.

General Pershing in command at El
Paso, has reported that the firing
which resulted late yesterday in the
death of an American car inspector
was the deliberate act of a squad of

Mexicans who appeared half a mile
east of the international bridge.
American troops, the report added,
were covering the whole river front.
During the rioting in Juarez, the
report said, there had been little fir-
ing and none towards the American
side.
Gen. Avila, who was in charge of the
troops in Juarez, ordered several of
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NEW HAVEN TRIAL

Pleas for Verdict of
Acquittal Heard by
Judge Hunt

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Pleas for a
verdict of acquittal in behalf of each
of the defendants individually were
heard by Judge Hunt today at the trial
of the eleven former directors of the
New Haven railroad under the Sherman
law. The first was made in behalf of
Henry K. McFargy by Homer S. Cam-
mins, who declared that 99 per cent of
the testimony given in the case had no
application to his client. He pointed
out that McFargy did not enter the New
Haven board until June, 1907, and said
that virtually all the acquisitions
which the government complains of
had been completed by that date.

KAISER IS ILL

Forced to Postpone His
Proposed Trip to the
Western Front

BERLIN, Dec. 22 (By wireless to
Sayville). Emperor William has post-
poned the trip he had planned making
to the western front, the Overseas
News agency announces, a slight indis-
position making it necessary for him
to remain indoors for a few days.

The agency's announcement describes
the emperor's ailment as "a slight in-
flammation of the cellular system."

An official message received here to-
day from Berlin describes Emperor
William's illness as "zellgewebentzu-
endung" more frequently given as
"Blinddarmentzündung."

WARNING

The Corporation known as the Pro-
prietors of the Lowell Cemetery warns
all persons against depredation upon
its territory the present holiday. De-
tection in the cutting of any tree or
shrub will be followed by prosecution,
an every effort will be made to pun-
ish the individual to the fullest extent
of the law. Before procuring Christ-
mas trees from a burial ground, read
the law of the commonwealth.

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SCHOOL POWER PLANT

BELIEVED THAT MUNICIPAL COUNCIL WILL EMPLOY MR. STEVENS TO SUPERVISE CONSTRUCTION

It was stated today that at least three members of the municipal council would vote to give John A. Stevens, consulting engineer, the supervision of the construction of a power plant for the proposed municipal school group in Kirk street. Mr. Stevens wants 7 per cent. of the total cost, and \$1500 as a starter to allow him to do the preliminary work, this amount to be deducted later from the seven per cent. The city council, as was stated in The Sun yesterday, had a conference with Mr. Stevens during a recess in yesterday's council meeting and it was known that Commissioners Carmichael and Morse were then willing to give Mr. Stevens the contract. There was some doubt in Commissioner Duncan's mind as to whether conduits carrying the heat and electric wires from the power plant to the other buildings across the street could be installed, according to law.

Mr. Stevens says he would not want

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to submit any preliminary plans which would later be entered in competition with any other engineer. If he were given the contract he desired to go ahead with it, subject, at all times, of course, to the wishes of the government.

Mr. Stevens called attention to the fact that his offices, located in The Sun building, are but a little way from the school and if anything went wrong he would be close at hand and could be called upon at a moment's notice. He said Lowell is his home town and he's proud of it and because of the pride he feels in the city, he said, he would like to be the supervising engineer for the power plant.

"When we take hold of a proposition like this," he said, "we spare no expense. We go right ahead and if there is any little problem confronting us we go to the highest experts and have them settle it. Sometimes we pay such men \$100 a day to determine a point. But we want it done right."

Neither the mayor nor Commissioner Putnam gave any hint as to his feelings relative to the employment of Mr. Stevens, but it is expected that definite action will be taken at the council meeting tomorrow morning.

HOLLY CLUB CONCERT AND DANCE

Don't forget that on Friday next the Holly club will entertain in Associate hall by giving to the pleasure loving public of Lowell a pleasing concert, which will be followed with a dance that will delight every enthusiast who loves to glide over the smooth floor to the bewitching strains of Miner's unsurpassed music. Bear in mind the date: it is next Friday, and the place is Associate hall. Bring along a friend.

"ONLY IN THE WAY"

MUNICIPAL JOURNAL SAYS THAT OLD MEN EMPLOYED ON STREETS ARE ENEMIES OF ECONOMY

Men too old or feeble to earn living wages as laborers on private work, says the Municipal Journal are employed in the spring street cleaning as conducted in many of our cities, and in some are kept on the permanent force used in this and similar work, instead of being helped through a charity department or organization. There is much to be said in favor of assisting such men to be self-supporting, expecting only, in return for the wages paid, such service to the city as they are capable of rendering, rather than lowering their self-respect by making themselves objects of charity.

We cannot, however, find any arguments in favor of employing an unnecessary number of able-bodied men and teams on public work the cost of which to the taxpayers is thus considerably increased. In fact, we are convinced that the only reason which could be truthfully given for this practice would be found intimately tied up with politics, and that the un-

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THE SICKABED LADY

On general principles, says Nurse, it is well to avoid extremes of heat and cold. Where there may be even a tendency towards chills, the feet are rendered susceptible to them when subjected to prolonged exposure to overheated rooms. Never by any chance toast your feet on a fender or over a floor radiator. This treatment makes them very sensitive to cold.

When the feet seem half frozen do not immediately thaw them out by placing in hot water or warming them with artificial heat. The change in their temperature must be gradually made. Remove the wet or damp hosiery and shoes and replace with dry ones.

Rubbing the feet with oil of turpentine, bran water, murate of ammonia, kerosene oil, and the water in which potatoes have been boiled are among the old fashioned remedies for chills.

The average individual does not drink enough water, thinks Nurse, to keep in good condition. Perhaps a glass or two is taken with meals, but one seldom remembers to take a drink of water between eating times. Cut down the water drinking at the table and increase the amount you take between meals.

For chapped hands use five table-spoons of lemon juice, two table-spoons of glycerine and two table-spoons of alcohol.

For sore throat use one teaspoon each of salt, sugar and turpentine in a pint of water. Use as a gargle. The giving an ill person an alcohol bath make a mixture for your hand out of an old bath towel. It will hold more moisture and be better for rubbing purposes.

Eat fruit every day if you would be well, says Nurse. In the winter time fresh fruit is sometimes difficult to obtain, but in such case eat canned fruit, and the effects will be almost as beneficial. Cooked fruits are undoubtedly better than dubious fresh ones, but when the fresh ones can be obtained they are better for the system.

Eat fresh green vegetables whenever you can get them, but remember to wash thoroughly all raw foods. Eat slowly and taste your food well and it will slide down and give more nourishment than food eaten quickly. Never eat when tired or over-exhausted. If you come home tired and worn lie down. If only for a few minutes before eating. The nerves of the stomach will be upset if one is tired, and will prevent food from digesting properly.

It is important that the mother or

nurse who is attending a child ill with a contagious disease, should take a walk in the fresh air every day. The best way to arrange this is for her to keep a change of clothing in the next room. If a bathroom has been set aside for quarantine she can use this if not a screen and a basin in the sick room will have to answer. When she can slip into the next room and put on fresh clothing.

She should leave the house by the back way preferably, or at any rate avoid coming in contact with any of the occupants of the house. Once in the street she should not use the street cars nor enter any other house and avoid touching anyone as much as possible.

The fumigation of a sick room after a contagious disease is done by the board of health upon request in most cities, or it can be done by the family under directions of the physician.

Nurse has discovered that nausea can be prevented following an anesthetic by the application to the nostrils of the patient of a pleasant perfume, preferably oil of bitter orange peel, as soon as the ether or chloroform is discontinued. She elevates the patient's head a little and turns it to one side, fastening a little adhesive plaster to the tip of the nose and saturating this with eucalypti.

If ever in the clutches of a severe cold where an active yet unstimulating medicine is required, it will be found that by mixing together the yolk of one egg, one tablespoon of olive oil and one teaspoon of grated ginger root, and taking all of the mixture at one dose, the conditions of a cure will be met.

Relaxing exercises for insomnia are recommended by Nurse to follow the two exercises given herewith: Before retiring stand erect, and clasp the hands behind the head with elbows forward. Hold the head in this position as if you were supporting or pulling it up and forward. Resist the tension of the muscles of the arms and hands with those of the neck, pulling back with the weight of the head and the tension of the neck muscles. Now walk backward and forward in this position until you begin to weary.

Upon retiring practice this exercise: Lie on the right side with the right hand beneath the right cheek. Now draw the left knee up to the chest and hold it there by passing the left arm underneath the knee in such a manner that the palm of the hand lies flat upon the bed. Lie in this attitude for five or ten minutes and you will experience such relief upon releasing the pose that you will fall asleep at once.



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Sizes 9 to 13½ and 1 to 2, at.....\$1.49 Pair
Sizes 2½ to 5½, at.....\$1.98 Pair

Boys' Rubber Boots, with high top; something every boy wants--
Sizes 8 to 13 and 1 to 2, at.....\$1.98 Pair
Sizes 3 to 6 for big boys, at.....\$2.49 Pair

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PALMER ST. REAR

necessary cost thus taken from the city treasury is to pay for past or future services rendered to a party and not to taxpayers.

Several instances of this kind are mentioned upon a recent annual report of a bureau of certain cities. The reorganization of a power plant and several pumping stations of the city was opposed by the workmen of these plants, some of whose wages would have been lowered to the local standard, and although it had the support of the commissioner of public works and the chief engineer of power plants, the common council could not be persuaded to approve it. Again, after a thorough investigation of the ash collection service, it was decided by the bureau and the commissioner of public works that several thousand dollars a year could be saved in ash collection by the use of automobile trucks. The council, however, refused to permit the purchase because these trucks would have thrown out of city employ a few men and teams. "The fact that these two automobile trucks would have replaced at least a dozen teams now employed part time by the city is really what defeated this measure," says the report. Another instance was a still more flagrant one, in that appliances had already been purchased and installed, which would have permitted reducing the force, but the council refused to authorize the laying off of the men.

Practices such as these cannot be considered as charity or as compensation for any public service, but only as gifts made to friends or henchmen who are in no need of charity, disguised or undisguised. A city official or council which needlessly employs labor or purchases material from city funds, not from ignorance or inefficiency, but with deliberate knowledge that it is unnecessary, misappropriates the city's resources, and truly as though he had placed the money in his own pocket. In effect he has taken it to his own use, for the favor done to the men who receive it is looked upon by them as originating in the official, not in the city, and it is therefore the official and not the city who benefits by it.

It is the blocking of their efforts to secure efficiency and economy by such acts as described which has disgusted capable men with public service and such men as heads of departments. And it is most fortunate for the future of our cities that, whereas such instances as the above were the rule a generation ago, they are now the exception.

DEMANDED HIS MONEY

BRAKEMAN HELD UP AND ROBBED OF \$1.75 BY TWO MEN--EMPTY BILL FOLD RETURNED TO HIM

BOSTON, Dec. 22.--Two highwaymen held up James Laconte, a Boston & Maine brakeman, near Prison Point bridge, about 9 o'clock last night. Laconte was on the way to his home, 7 Lindwood place, Charlestown, and was ascending the steps from the

dark railroad yard, when two burly figures sprang out of the darkness and thrusting pistols close to his face, demanded his money.

Not daring to make an outcry or show any resistance, Laconte permitted the robbers to take \$1.25, all he had.

The money was in a bill fold. After removing the bills and coins, one of the robbers politely returned the empty bill fold to their victim.

Laconte was ordered to stand where he was and keep quiet for a few minutes, or he would be shot. He was given to understand that one of the robbers would watch him from some vantage point in the railroad yard until the other had escaped.

Laconte obeyed. When he reported the robbery to the police a quarter of an hour later a large squad of officers was rushed to the railroad yard and the Prison Point bridge, but the robbers had disappeared. It is thought they may have jumped a train out of the city.

LICENSE COMMISSION MET

The license commission held its regular meeting last evening and granted these licenses: To sell ice cream, confectionery, soda water and fruit on the Lord's day, George E. Bounakes, 352 Moody street, and Harry E. Hudson, 830 Lawrence street; common victualler, Stavros Rizziakos, 624 Market st.; and George G. Douglass, 79 Gorham st.; auctioneer, George F. Stiles, 219 Hildreth building. Cancellations on the application of Eva Leblanc, 332 Moody street, to sell ice cream, etc.; Arthur Walton, 330 Lawrence street, ice cream, etc.; also the common victualler license of Stavros J. Rizziakos, 605 Market st. The driver's permit exercised by Cosmas Strokas to deliver but not to sell intoxicating liquors for E. F. Brady & Co., as surrendered, was ordered cancelled.



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AN INFANT ABANDONED

LITTLE WAIF FOUND ON STEPS OF THE Y.M.C.A. BUILDING LAST NIGHT

A four weeks' old baby was abandoned on the steps of the Y.M.C.A. building on Stackpole street between 10 and 11 o'clock last evening. She was found lying in a corner by members of the institute who were leaving for their homes. The police were notified and Patrolman John J. Sullivan was despatched to care for the child. He had her wrapped warmly and returned to St. John's hospital, where it was found she was in good health. The child was dressed comfortably in a white dress and coat and a silk bon-

net. She was later taken to the Chelmsford street hospital in the ambulance, where she is now being cared for. The police are attempting to learn the identity of the parents.

NOT TO BUY GERMAN LINERS

LONDON, Dec. 22.--Rumors which have been current for several days to the effect that the Swedish-American line was to buy two Hamburg-American liners, appears to have been dispensed of by a despatch from Stockholm to Reuters' Telegram Co. This message says that the newspaper Aftonbladet has published a statement from the Swedish-American company that the report is without foundation and that no purchase of German liners could be considered before the end of the war.

Although she is past 73 years of age, Mrs. M. E. Jahn, of Easterville, Iowa, is an enthusiastic automobilist and drives her own car regularly.

The GILBRIDE CO.

New Lots of Christmas Merchandise

ON SALE TODAY

Time is short, meanwhile, every distracting influence should be brushed aside.

Come here today, see our display of merchandise and the fairness of the prices.

We are doing the biggest Christmas business ever done under this roof. There's a reason.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS

Owing to an increased demand upon our columns at this season of the year, SUN advertisers are requested to present their advertisements at least THE DAY BEFORE the date of publication, in order to insure insertion and to facilitate the handling of copy.

POCAHONTAS STATUETTE, GIFT TO MRS. WILSON



POCAHONTAS STATUETTE, GIFT 60 PRESIDENT'S BRIDE

This bronze statuette of Pocahontas, the famous Indian girl who lives in more or less well authenticated history or tradition as the savior of Captain John Smith, is a wedding gift from the Pocahontas Memorial association to President Wilson's bride. She is a descendant of Pocahontas and thus peculiar appropriateness is given to the gift.

DYESTUFFS SHORTAGE TO QUASH INDICTMENTS

GREAT BRITAIN AGREES TO PERMIT SHIPMENT OF LOGWOOD TO THE UNITED STATES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—In notifying the state department that Great Britain would permit the immediate shipment of 4700 tons of logwood for dyestuffs from Jamaica to the United States, the British embassy has indicated that the shortage of the extract of logwood to Canada must be relieved as a condition of the embargo's modification. In addition it appears that there is contemplated a much larger movement of this important dye base under certain restrictions.

"It is hoped that the shortage of dyestuffs in Great Britain will shortly be met, when the issue of licenses in Jamaica will be resumed, provided that reasonable margin is left in the island for any emergencies that may arise," reads a note from Sir Edward Grey, transmitted today to the state department.

AGAINST MEN ACCUSED OF USING MAILS TO INCITE ARSON AND ASSASSINATION

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—Motions to quash the indictments against Baron George Wilhelm von Brincken, attaché of the local German consulate; C. C. Crowley, detective employed by German Consul-General Franz Bopp, and Mrs. Margaret Cornell, a detective employed by Crowley, are expected to be made when the three are arraigned today before U. S. District Judge Dooling on charges of using the mails to incite arson and assassination.

The three defendants were indicted in the course of the federal grand jury's investigation of alleged German plots to dynamite ships and munition plants and destroy foreign commerce, in violation of the neutrality laws.

United States District Attorney Preston stated that he was ready to proceed with the trials immediately.

BLOODLESS BUT MOIST BATTLE BETWEEN NURSES AND WOUNDED AUSTRALIANS IN ENGLAND



WOUNDED AUSTRALIANS AND NURSES IN SNOW FIGHT

Wounded Australian soldiers, brought back to England for recuperation, enjoyed their first snowball fight at Harefield park. They declared war on the nurses, who offered a strong defense, and a big battle developed. The Australians bombarded the nurses as vigorously as they did the Turks, but in this case there were no casualties to record on either side. Snow of course is not a novelty to many Australians, as snowstorms are common in the mountains and other regions of the island continent in June, July and August, the Australian winter.

SENT TO DARDANELLES 1200 GERMANS CAPTURED

Gen. Murray Appointed British Commander to Succeed Sir Charles Monro

LONDON, Dec. 22, 5 p. m.—Lieut. Gen. Sir Archibald Murray has been appointed to succeed Sir Charles Monro, as British commander at the Dardanelles, says an official statement issued this afternoon.

Sir Charles Monro has been appointed in command of the first British army in France, in succession to Sir Douglas Haig.

DAMAGE BY EXPLOSION

POWDER FACTORY AND SEVERAL AMMUNITION DEPOTS BLOWN UP

LONDON, Dec. 22, 4.25 p. m.—According to advices to the Amsterdam Telegraf forwarded by Reuters correspondent, a powder factory and several ammunition depots at Muenster, Westphalia, have been blown up. Great damage was done to the town, the newspaper adds.

MARRIAGE INTENTIONS

The following marriage intentions have been recorded at the city clerk's office since the last were published:

Vasilios Haritos, 34, operative, 1 rear 186 Suffolk street, and Kira Kourakon, 23, weaver, 641 Market street.

Albert E. Wahlgren, 21, moulder, 10 Montreal street, and Florence S. Scarrlett, 21, winder, Driscoll, Mass.

Manuel Couto Pitta, operative, 144 Tilden street, and Maria Isabel Fernandes, 20, operative, 63 Hanover at.

John J. Foley, 25, business manager, 55 Cosgrove street, and Elizabeth C. Mone, 24, at home, 78 Cosgrove street.

John E. A. Taylor, 32 (widowed), box maker, 43 Hildreth street, and Mildred Ethel Northrop, 21, at home, same address.

William A. Higgins, 27, foreman, 193 South, and Josephine P. Manghan, 24, music teacher, same address.

Thomas Gott, 25, musician, 78 Appleton street, and Julia Lowney, 23, hostess, 10 Cross street.

Harry Coombs, 23, clerk, Sargentville, Maine, and Vera R. McCardle, 28, at home, 31 Parkview avenue.

Manuel Portiano, Jr., 22, operative, 22 Webster street, and Maria da Conceicao Cordeiro, 18, operative, 20 Chapel street.

Godias Fugere, 17, weaver, 71 Ford street, and Marie E. Y. Bouthillotte, 16, winder, 8 Ford street.

Arthur E. Strand, 28, carpenter, 63 Brookings street, and Clara Jones, 23, weaver, same address.

PARIS ANNOUNCES SUCCESS FOR FRENCH AT HARTMANN'S-WEILERKOPF

PARIS, Dec. 22.—Announcement was made by the war office today that 1200 Germans had been captured in the operations at Hartmann's-Weilerkopf, which have enlarged the French positions to an appreciable extent. The statement follows:

"There were few events of importance last night. In the Vosges the attack delivered yesterday by our troops made it possible for us to enlarge appreciably our positions on the east slope of Hartmann's-Weilerkopf. The number of Germans made prisoner is now 1200 of whom 21 are officers. They belong to six different regiments."

RECAPTURED BY GERMANS

BERLIN, Dec. 22, via London.—A part of the German position on the summit of Hartmann's-Weilerkopf in the Vosges, that was captured by the French yesterday has been recaptured by German troops. It was officially announced by German army headquarters today.

COL. HOUSE'S TRIP

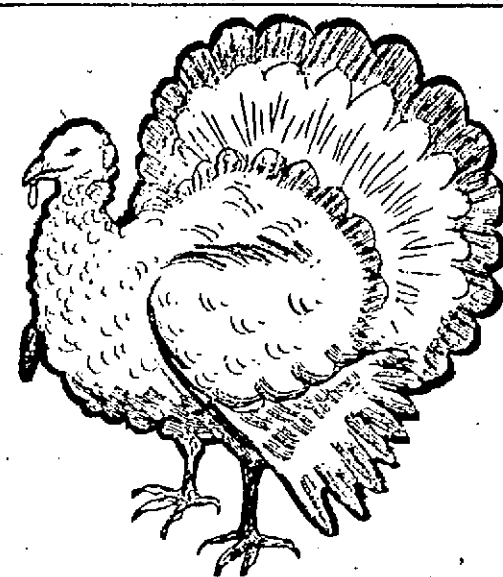
Will Dispense Views of the United States and Attempt to Get Public Opinion of Places Visited

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Authoritative explanation of the purposes of Col. E. M. House's trip to Europe at the request of President Wilson and Secretary Lansing, obtained here today, discloses that Col. House will dispense the views of the United States on general international questions and will attempt to determine the state of official and public opinion in the various countries he will visit.

TEA AND BUTTER FIRM FAILS

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—The Mills Tea & Butter Co., which operates a chain of 30 small stores in various New England cities and towns, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the United States district court here today. The

FLYNN'S MARKET



YOUR CHRISTMAS DINNER

IS WAITING FOR YOU AT A VERY LOW COST

TURKEYS

6 Pound Turkeys, lb.	25c
8 Pound Turkeys, lb.	25c
10 Pound Turkeys, lb.	25c
12 Pound Turkeys, lb.	25c
14 Pound Turkeys, lb.	25c
16 Pound Turkeys, lb.	25c

Note—One price—no higher, no lower. We have no cheap poultry. It costs only 20c or 30c more to get a good turkey.

CHICKENS

All chickens bought at this market are true to name.

CHICKENS TO ROAST

6 to 8 Pounds, lb.	25c
4 to 6 Pounds, lb.	22c
Small Chickens, lb.	16c
Cut Up Chicken, lb.	16c

FOWL

Our Fowl are from the Flynn farm and are very meaty.

Large Fowl, lb.	22c
Small Fowl, lb.	18c
Cut Up Fowl, lb.	16c
Pure White Geese, lb.	22c
Large Ducks, lb.	20c
Large Bunch Celery	12c
No. 1 Baldwin Apples, pk.	30c
New Onions, 1-2 pk.	15c
Best Large Cranberries, qt.	10c
Florida Oranges, doz.	16c
Candy, the latest kind, lb.	12c
New Nuts, all kinds, lb.	15c
Potatoes, 2 pk. limit, pk.	24c
Sugar, 10 lb. limit, lb.	6c

SPECIAL

Small Roast Pork, lb.	13c
Legs Spring Lamb, lb.	16c

Come early. Come late. We are always here to serve you well. Phone 4693.

PLENTY OF CHRISTMAS TREES AND WREATHS FOR EVERYBODY

Liabilities are placed at \$120,000 and assets at \$50,000. There are about one hundred unsecured creditors.

man torpedo boats pursued her into Swedish waters and boarded her declaring her a prize of war. Ten men were left on the Argo to take her to Germany.

The Argo's cargo consists of tools for Russia, manufactured in Denmark. The Swedish government, according to this account, has instructed its minister at Berlin to make an investigation.

ASSASSINATION OF ARCHDUKE BERLIN, Dec. 22 (By wireless to Sayville).—According to the Sofia newspaper Dnevnik, says the Overseas News agency today, "the former Bulgarian minister to Serbia, M. Tchaprachokoff, the Bulgarian government holds proof in writing that the Serbian government was a direct accomplice in the assassination of Archduke Francis Ferdinand at Sarajevo. The Bulgarian government, it was stated, will shortly publish the document."

SEIZED BY GERMANS

STEAMER ARGO WITH TOOLS FOR RUSSIA TAKEN INTO GERMAN PORT

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The steamship Argo has been taken into a German port by a prize crew, the Exchange Telegraph company's Copenhagen correspondent says. The Argo put into the Danish port of Aarhus on Monday after having been in collision with a German torpedo boat, which fired several shots in an attempt to stop her. She sailed from Aarhus on the following day. The dispatch says two Ger-

A New One

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BOYS



CHOICE OF OUR \$1.00 AND \$1.50

Indian Suits

65c

Macartney's

APPAREL SHOP

72 Merrimack Street.

MAY NOT BE PARDONED

STRIPLING WHO ESCAPED DOING LIFE TERM AND BECAME POLICE CHIEF STILL IN JAIL

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 22.—Thomas Edgar Strippling, who was sentenced to life imprisonment in 1897, escaped from jail and during his 14 years of freedom became chief of police of Danville, Va., probably will not receive his expected Christmas pardon from Gov. Harris. He has been in prison in Georgia since his identity was discovered in 1911.

Gov. Harris said last July that he would free Strippling and intimated he would do it before this Christmas, but the records in the case are in the hands of the prison commission and have not been turned over to Gov. Harris.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Brooklyn has a successful woman butcher.

Aviation is the latest fad of the young society girls of Oakland, Cal.

A Russian girl of 25 who finds herself unmarried is considered disgraced.

Girl students of Bryn Mawr college have taken up soccer football as a fad.

Miss Helen Miller, of Philadelphia, at the age of 16 is the author of ten plays.

Queen Elizabeth, of Rumania, better known as "Carmen Sylva," is now 72 years of age.

Of the 33 bureau officials in the federal bureau of education, eleven are women.

Twenty-four of the 522 colleges in the United States are presided over by women.

There is very little difference between the minds of men and the minds of women.

THE SUN

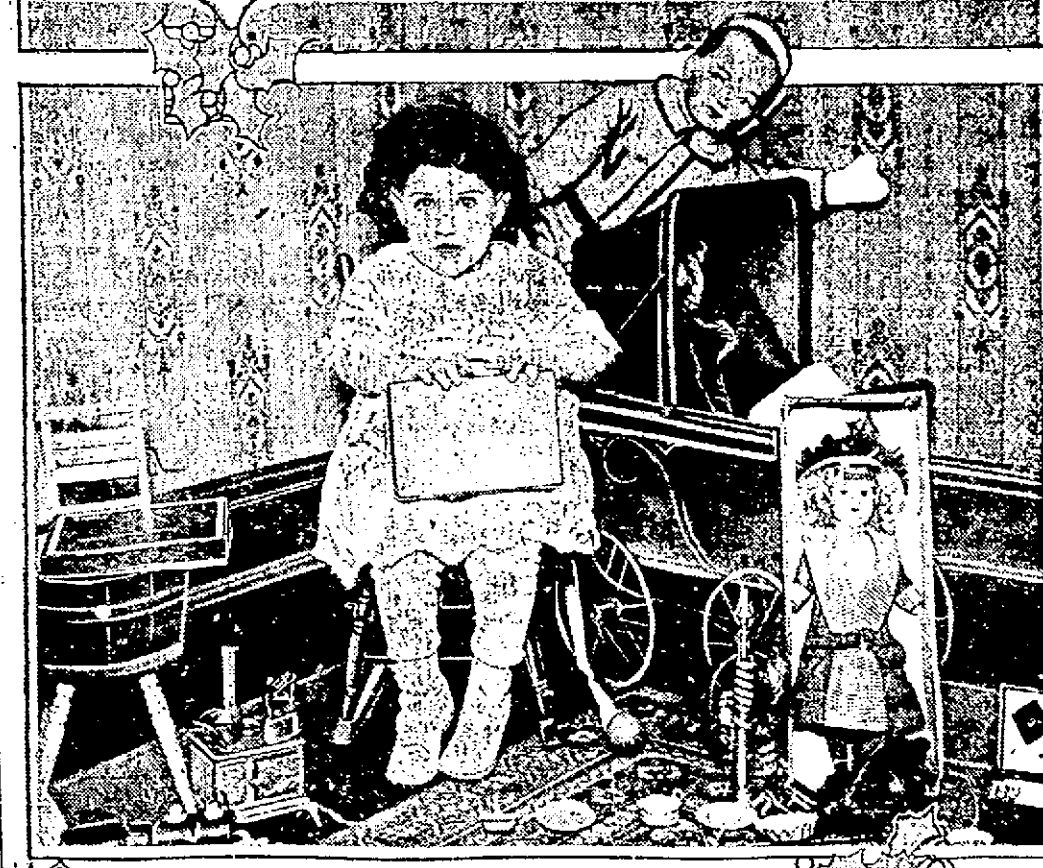
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BOSTON

On Christmas Morning



JOHNSTON'S New Bakery

131 GORHAM ST.

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With Full Line of Bakery Goods, Sanitary and Up-to-Date.

Specials For Christmas

Raisin Bread	10c
Scotch Short Cake	10c and 25c
English Plum Pudding	25c

Our Other Stores At

15 East Merrimack St., 467 Lawrence St., Cor Broadway and School Street.

VERY BEST HOWE JUMBO
CRANBERRIES, 3 qts. 25c

SPECIAL XMAS CANDIES

Holiday Mixture, lb.	10c
Xmas Ribbon, lb.	10c
American Mixed, lb.	10c
Assorted Chocolates, lb.	11c
Full Cream Caramels, lb.	29c
Assorted Milk Chocolates, lb.	29c
Holly Mixed Chocolates, box.	23c
Old Fashioned Chocolates, lb.	17c
Assorted Creams, lb.	19c
Fancy Mixed Chocolates, lb.	21c
Butter Scotch Wafers, lb.	12c
American Beauty Chocolates, 1-2 lb. box.	14c
Fancy Boxes, etc.	14c to 50c
23c, 29c, 33c, 45c	

FANCY XMAS FIGS

Layer Figs, lb.	15c	Stuffed Figs, box.	23c
Puffed Figs, lb.	17c	Candied Figs, box.	19c
Washed Figs, basket.	23c		

POUND CAKE

Raisin, Nut, Citron, Cherry, Plain, Dark Fruit,	15c
25c value. Lb.	

GRAPEFRUIT

80 count Heavy Floridas	3 for 10c
64 count Heavy Floridas	30 for \$1.00
46 count, Heavy Floridas	4 for 25c

OLIVES

Out of the Big Barrel, qt.	23c
Stuffed Olives, pt.	15c
Stuffed Olives, bot.	10c
Spanish Queen, bot.	23c
Ripe Olives, can.	13c
Ripe Olives, lb.	15c

COCOA

Hersey's Bulk, lb.	17c
Poinsettia, can.	5c
Wan Eta, can.	8c
Lipton's, can.	10c
Hersey's, can.	9c
Reynold's Fudge, can.	12c
Runkel's, can.	12c
Baker's, can.	20c
Bensdorf's, can.	20c

TEAS

Lipton's Ceylon,	15c, 30c, 60c
Ridgeway's Orange Label Ceylon	15c, 30c, 60c
Tetley's India and Ceylon	15c, 30c
Wood's Primrose, Orange Pekoe	15c and 25c
Hotel Astor	10c, 15c, 30c
Brooks Bond Tea	25c
Salada Ceylon, 1/2 pkg.	25c
Tudor Tea Ceylon	10c, 15c, 30c
Saunders' Special Ceylon, lb.	40c
Mixed Oolong, or Ceylon, lb.	25c

FRUITS IN SEASON

Jonathan Apples, doz.	25c
Roman Beauties, doz.	30c
Banana Pippins, doz.	30c, 40c
Pomegranates	3 for 10c
Emperor Grapes, lb.	7c
Malaga Grapes, lb.	7c
Tangerines, doz.	12c
Peanuts, qt.	6c

Pork

Fresh Pigs' Head, lb.	9c
Any Cut From Native Dressed Pigs, lb.	10c to 12 1/2c
Pork to Roast, lb. by strip	11c
Fresh Hams, lb.	14c

Lamb

Forequarter Spring Lamb, lb. 12 1/2c	
Fancy Yearling Legs, lb.	12c
Yearling Forequarters, lb.	9c
Legs of Mutton, lb.	12 1/2c
Legs So. Down Mutton, lb.	15c

Roast Beef

Fancy Pot Roast, lb.	8c
Fancy Chuck Roast, lb.	10c
Prime Rib, lb.	14c
Boneless Boston Rolled, lb.	14c
Sirloin Boned Rolled, lb.	15c
Best Sirloin Tip, lb.	15c

Steaks

La Touraine, lb.	35c
Hotel Astor, lb.	33c
Wood's Gilt Edge, lb.	33c
Hollander, lb.	30c
Kaffee Hag, can.	25c
Saunders' Special, lb.	25c
Echo Brand, lb.	19c
Dinner Blend, lb.	15c
Instant Postum, lb.	28c and 50c
Postum Cereal, lb.	13c and 23c
Cut From Heavy Western Steers	
Rump, lb.	25c
Top Round, lb.	22c
Sirloin, lb.	19c
Porter House, lb.	24c
Round—Cut Through, lb.	18c
Tenderloin, lb.	20c

MARYLAND
GEESE 12 1/2c to 20c

FANCY 3 TO 3 1/2 POUND
BROILERS, lb. 22c

CUT UP READY TO FRY
CHICKENS, lb. 16c

FANCY STEWING
FOWL, lb. 16c

GENUINE SPRING
LAMB LEGS lb 16c

PASTRY FLOUR, bag 75c

WESTERN TURKEYS, 15c to 18c Lb.

FRESH KILLED FANCY NO. 1
Vermont Turkeys
23c to 28c Lb.

POSITIVELY NOT COLD STORAGE.

SWEET PICKLED SHOULDERS, 10c lb. FANCY FRESH SHOULDERS, 10c lb.

FANCY MILK FED
VEAL LEGS 12 1/2c

GOLDEN GATE THE BEST PEACHES, can 23c

BEN HUR BREAD FLOUR, bag . . 79c

Boston Market CELERY, 12c
Bunch
New Cleaned CURRANTS, 10c
Dried Leghorns CITRON, lb. 15c
TOP-CORN, pkg. 10c

Saunders' Market

Solid Meat, Fresh Opened 35c
OYSTERS, qt. 18c

Best SEEDED RAISINS, pkg. 10c
Lenox or Orange Raisins, lb. 15c
Grape Juice, pint bottle, 15c
Not a Seed Raisins, pkg. 10c

HEAVY LOSSES

Inflicted on the British
Army in Mesopotamia
Following Retreat

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Comparatively heavy losses have been inflicted on the British army in Mesopotamia in the severe fighting near Kut-el-Amara following the retreat of the British to that point. The secretary for India, J. Austen Chamberlain, announced in the house of commons today that the total of casualties of General Townshend's force since the return to Kut-el-Amara was 1,127 including 260 deaths.

NEW BOSTON PASTOR DEAD
NEW BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 22.—Rev. Henry E. Warren, pastor of the Congregational church here and previously for five years pastor of the Shawmut Congregational church, Boston, died early today. He was 65 years old.

CALL FOR MILLION MEN

ALL NIGHT DEBATE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS—VOTE AGREED UPON—BLUNDERS CAUSE LOSS OF LIFE

LONDON, Dec. 22, 5.45 a. m.—The debate in the house of commons on the supplementary estimate of the government providing for the raising of one million extra men for the army continued until 5.30 o'clock this morning, at which hour the vote for the additional men was agreed to and the house adjourned.
The debate was carried on mostly by the opponents of conscription and those members who have been conspicuous for criticizing the government on the conduct of the war, but of the small number of members present to preserve a quorum, many were kept before 1 o'clock, the speeches being punctuated by loud snoring. Sir Arthur Markham complained humorously of these interruptions, asking at one point, whether a Nationalist member was snoring at him.

Blunders at Headquarters
Sir Henry Dalziel in the course of a speech declared that it had been

demonstrated throughout the debate that there had been an unnecessary wastage of the lives of the men by blunders made at headquarters.

ANOTHER FOOTBALL VICTIM
PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 22.—Harry Schoff, a medical student in the University of Pittsburgh, died late last night as the result of injuries suffered in the football game between the University of Pittsburgh and Washington & Jefferson college two years ago. He was carried off the field and until the time of his death was under care of physicians.

"SMILING BILL" IN CHAIR AGAIN
"Smiling Bill" Graff is with us again after an absence of over a year. "Bill" wheeled into the city this morning in his invalid chair and immediately started looking for his newspaper friends. Graff has been an invalid for over 32 years as a result of a peculiar illness which totally paralyzed his lower limbs.
A short time ago he was relieved of the supposedly incurable attack by taking a patent medicine and was able to walk. The cure did not last for long, however, and he was again stricken with the malady and forced to return to his wheel chair once more. He has traveled over 37,000 miles in

his wheel chair and expects to leave soon for California.

A brother who was afflicted with the same disease went to Baden-Baden, Germany, where he was cured, and "Happy Bill" plans on getting to the latter country for treatment following the cessation of hostilities. Graff is at present making his home in Lawrence and just dropped around to renew old acquaintances.

JOE TINKER OUT OF DANGER
CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Joseph Tinker, manager of the Chicago Federal league baseball club, was told by his physicians today that he was out of danger from his recent operation and would be able to leave the hospital in a few days.
What seemed to please the ball player more, however, was the announcement of the birth this morning of a son. Tinker is now father of three boys.

TAFT RETURNS TO CHICAGO
CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Former President Taft returned here today from South Bend, Ind., where he was to have made an address last evening, but was prevented by a severe cold.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

CITY HALL NOTES

It is understood that some of the firemen who took the recent examinations for lieutenant and captain have been apprised of the result of the examination. But Commissioner Carmichael hasn't heard from it yet. He said today that he had sent a written request to the civil service commissioner for a report of the examination.

House cleaning in connection with the inaugural exercises on Jan. 5 is being vigorously pushed at city hall. The work is being done under the direction of City Messenger Monahan. Nuff said.

The skating at Shepley park was reported today as being the "best ever." There are seven or eight acres of a good skating surface and in order that everything may go along smoothly the park department has arranged for the employment of extra policemen on at the rink on Christmas day and Sunday.

It was stated today that J. C. Manseau is a candidate for license commissioner. It will be remembered that Mr. Manseau was a candidate in 1914 and that he received the votes of Mayor Murphy and Commissioner Morse.

The candidates for Martin Conley's place at the Chalmers street hospital include Mr. Conley, Solomon Mayberry and Walter Powers.

There are candidates for city solicitor other than John J. Farley, but their names have not been spoken "aloud" at city hall.
Not a building permit has been issued at city hall for the last fifteen days, and that's going some. It is one of the longest intervals of idleness, along this line, in the history of the department.

City hall employees are getting up a Christmas fund for the family of a former employee who recently passed away. The fund already represents \$100 or more.

Richard Brabrook Walsh, school committeeman-elect, has filed his election expenses with the city clerk. His expenses, as per report, totaled \$95.10.

OVERCOME BY GAS
A woman giving her name as Della Boland was found overcome by gas in her home at 22 Linden street this morning. According to a report given out by the police gas was escaping from a jet in the room in which the woman was sleeping. She was removed in the ambulance to St. John's hospital, where she is said to be resting comfortably.

HIS FOOT CRUSHED
Stanislaw Jarek, employed by the Otis Allen Co., sustained an injury to

his left foot about 11.30 o'clock this forenoon when he was struck by a piece of lumber. He was removed in the ambulance to the Lowell hospital.

SOCIALIST MINORITY CONDEMNED
AMSTERDAM, Dec. 22, via London, 12.53 p. m.—A Berlin despatch quotes the socialist newspaper Vorwarts in the effect that the action of the socialist minority in the reichstag in voting against the war credit, which is characterized as a breach of discipline, was condemned by the party as a whole, by a vote of 63 to 15.

SHIPPERS PROTEST
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Representatives of shippers and merchants in New York and adjacent territory protested today to the interstate commerce commission against the railroad's proposal to reduce from 30 to 15 days the time allowed for free storage on export shipments.
The reduction is proposed to relieve congested freight conditions at New York.
Women doctors and teachers in England find opportunities that have always been closed to them.
Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt has been made honorary vice president of the women's section of the Navy league.

MAYOR GOOD DEFEATED

Rockwood Elected at Cambridge
—Benson Won at Salem—Gale
at North Adams

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 22.—Wendell D. Rockwood was elected mayor of Cambridge yesterday by a plurality of 283, defeating Mayor Good, who sought re-election under the new Plan B charter. The vote was: Rockwood 6305, Good 6112, Brennan 1459, Andrews 139, and Henderson 107. Despite the withdrawal of Dr. George E. Sherman, he was given 20 votes.

In the fight for school committee, with one exception the entire Public School association ticket was elected. Those chosen for the three-year term are Charles T. G. McCue and Henry N. Stearns; for two years, John F. Gadsby and Miss Mary L. Winslow; for one year, Mrs. Florence Lee Whitman and Professor J. D. M. Ford.

In the fight for councillors, the democrats won 10 of the 15 places. The successful candidates are: Ward 1, Frank J. Lohan; Ward 2, William M. Hogan; Ward 3, Francis B. Coady; Ward 4, George P. Mullette; Ward 5, Ralph H. Stratton; Ward 6, Thomas G. Deleahanty; Ward 7, Clarence P. Kipper; Ward 8, Charles H. Shea; Ward 9, Harry W. Durant; Ward 10, Charles R. Apted; Ward 11, William J. Lynch.

Those at large are David F. Corcoran, Peter C. Nelligan, Edward J. Dunphy and Edward A. Connahan. James J. Casey was chosen assessor.

A NERVE TONIC
In many severe nervous disorders the best remedy is often a tonic. The most active tonic treatment is recommended by the highest medical authority to arrest the progress of such diseases.

It is impossible to reach the nerves directly with medicine. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are a nerve tonic but they act on the nerves through the blood, enabling the blood to carry to the nerves the elements needed to build them up.

Neuralgia, sciatica, sick headache and a number of more severe nervous troubles are properly treated by building up the blood with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and are often entirely corrected in this way.

If you are nervous you can help yourself by refusing to worry, by taking proper rest, sleep and vacations, by avoiding excesses and by taking out-of-door exercise. For medicine take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, the non-alcoholic tonic.

Sufferers from nervous disorders who have been taking treatment without benefit should investigate the tonic method. Write today to the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y., for the booklet, "Diseases of the Nervous System." It will be sent free on request.

Your own druggist sells Dr. Williams' Pink Pills or they will be sent by mail on receipt of price, fifty cents per box, six boxes for \$2.50.

Owing to the interest in the fight over school committee and the mayoralty contest, the voting was excellent but not much heavier than last year. Last year the vote for Mayor Good was 6079, and Rockwood polled but 79 less. Each candidate lost a few votes to the others on the ticket this year. This year the total vote cast for mayor was 14,282, 403 more than last year.

The greatest interest shown was by the women who came to the polls in large numbers. There had been 9000 of them registered for the school committee fight.

BENSON ELECTED
Chosen Mayor of Salem in Three-Cornered Contest—First Election Under New City Charter

SALEM, Dec. 22.—Henry P. Benson, a member of the firm of A. Emerson & Co., cotton dealers, 683 Atlantic avenue, Boston, and a heavy stockholder in the Naumkeag Steam Cotton company, Salem, was elected mayor of Salem by a majority of 604.

For the sixth consecutive time the city voted in favor of no-license. The vote was: Yes, 2972; No, 3612. The no-license vote last year was: Yes, 2830; No, 3101.

The vote for mayor was: Benson, 3007; Joseph B. Saunders, 2453, and James D. Burns, 540.

The five councillors elected at large are: The Hon. Rufus D. Adams, former mayor; William O. Safford, the present director of health; Fred W. Broadhead, former president of the city council; S. Herbert Wilkins and Michael J. Doyle. All the councillors at large have seen service in the government.

The councillors elected by wards are the following: Ward 1, John H. Greeley; Ward 2, John L. Sheehan; Ward 3, J. Arthur Marchand; Ward 4, Michael P. McGrath; Ward 5, Lancelot Gibson; and Ward 6, Albert Pierce.

The members of the school committee chosen are the following: For the one year term, the Hon. Alden P. White and Charles F. Hopes; two year term, Lewis J. Bridgman and the Hon. David M. Little, former mayor; three year term, William F. Cass and Horatio P. Pierson.

It was Salem's first election after it had adopted the "Plan B" form of government. The total vote cast was 6993.

GALE IN NORTH ADAMS
Democrat Defeats Mayor Brown—City Goes Wet By a Reduced Margin

NORTH ADAMS, Dec. 22.—Mayor Wallace E. Brown, a republican, was defeated for re-election by his democratic opponent, J. W. Gale, by 88

JAPANESE BOY SCOUTS

MOVEMENT HAS ENLISTED THE ENTHUSIASTIC INTEREST OF THE YOUTHFUL JAPANESE



JAPANESE BOY SCOUTS IN DRILL

The Boy Scout movement, gaining momentum as it spreads around the world, has enlisted the enthusiastic interest of the youthful Japanese. As sons of a military people, they are naturally drawn toward anything which embodies drill and discipline. The picture shows part of a detachment of Japanese boy scouts at a recent drill.

votes yesterday. The republicans, however, elected seven out of eight councillors. The margin for license was considerably reduced. The vote was: Yes 1741, No 1557. Last year's vote was: Yes 1683, No 1163.

LEOMINSTER STAYS "WET"

H. F. Sawtelle Elected New City's First Mayor By Overwhelming Majority—Big Vote Cast

LEOMINSTER, Dec. 22.—By a vote of 290 to 97, H. F. Sawtelle, for five years chairman of Leominster's board of selectmen, was yesterday elected the city's first mayor, defeating E. B. Richardson, a piano case manufacturer.

At the last town meeting Leominster went for license by 13 votes. This license policy was continued yesterday by majority of 167, the vote being 160 to 113.

Councillors elected were: At-large—W. H. Boyden, J. A. Goodhue, J. A. Lovering and W. A. Putnam; Ward 1, R. D. Gould; Ward 2, A. D. Vallee; Ward 3, E. F. Lincoln; Ward 4, J. F. Coburn; Ward 5, H. Mayo.

There were 40 candidates for 14 offices, and in consequence the vote was much larger than at any town meeting. There were 3182 male voters from a registration of 3518, and 318 female voters from a registration of 628.

DENIES CITY IMMORAL

Mayor of Baltimore Declares Report of Vice Commission is Scandalous and Untrue

BALTIMORE, Dec. 22.—Mayor J. M. Preston and the board of estimate, the governing board of the city, yesterday protested against the report of the vice commission, alleging bad moral conditions in Baltimore.

"No such condition exists," said the mayor. "As a general picture of Baltimore life, and as a picture of the moral conditions in Baltimore, the report is scandalous and untrue."

Mrs. George W. Lepp, wife of a prominent American living in Paris, has contributed 10,000,000 cigarettes and 240,000 pounds of tobacco to the smokers in the French army. This will give two and one-half cigarettes and several pipefuls of tobacco to every soldier in France.



FOR FORTY WINKS

This pretty negligee is fashioned of much plaited old rose challis, the empire effect being gained by pulled ribbon. Shadow lace, draped to make a bolero and oversleeves, is an attractive feature, while the skull cap is of lace and old rose ribbon. For those who prefer elegance to the warmth of challis, crepe de chine may be used, with mules to match.

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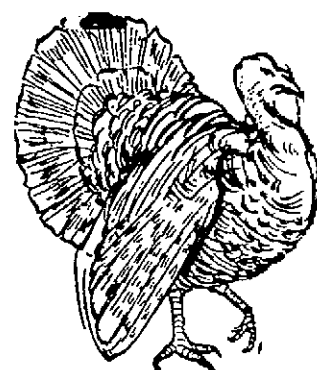
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Fancy Fresh Killed DUCK, per lb.....	20c and 22c
Large Fresh Killed CHICKENS, per lb.....	22c and 25c
BROILERS, from 2 to 4 lbs, per lb.....	20c and 22c
FRESH KILLED FOWL, per lb.....	20c and 23c

English Walnuts, per lb.....	18c
Mixed Nuts, per lb.....	15c
Almonds, per lb.....	22c
Table Apples, pk.....	25c
Oranges, doz.....	15c
Oranges, large and sweet, doz.....	18c
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THE LADY'S WORKBAG

It is easy to make a stocking box to fit a bureau or chiffonier drawer. Cut up a long pasteboard box such as coats and suits are delivered in to make the stocking box. The partitions which divide the long, narrow box into compartments should be placed at intervals of about five or six inches apart, according to the length of the box. Cover all the pieces of pasteboard with cretonne or cover the sides of the box on the outside with cretonne and the inside with muslin or silk to match.

Your silk stockings should be kept in this box, each one separate in one of the compartments. This makes it easier to select just the right pair when one is in a hurry, for the various occasions. The modern woman has bronze stockings for bronze slippers, natural

silk stockings for wear with fawn topped buttoned boots and pastel tinted hosiery to match dancing slippers of satin.

Outline stitch can be worked either to the left or to the right. It is largely a question of the design and also of the cotton used. Sometimes the cotton is twisted in such a way that good results can only be secured by drawing the thread to the right. Then, again, the design may be such that the only way to successfully outline the curves is by throwing the thread to the left.

In Kensington outlining, which is sometimes designated as the even outline stitch, the stitch is taken back, bringing the needle up in the hole already pierced by the previous stitch, thus producing a very even line.

Double line stitch is exactly what its name implies. It consists merely of two lines of equal length taken at regular intervals. It is used for bands and borders, and is very effective if carried with dots or other motifs between the group of lines. It makes a quickly executed dress trimming.

Closed feather stitch is very closely related to ordinary feather stitch, and is worked between two marked lines. To make, bring the thread up at one side and work from side to side, throwing the thread as in ordinary feather stitch, but taking the stitches along the marked lines on each side, inserting the needle in the hole pierced by the previous stitch. This makes a closed line on each side of the crossed stitches and finally a very dainty little border.

In making quilts or comforters, first heat thoroughly the cotton batting, whatever quality is used, and they will

retain their fluffiness and new look much longer.

For winter it is best to have embroidery in white or in rich warm colors that are seen in the full flower, warm yellows, reds, even pinks, all mixed perhaps with greens, dark browns, and, in fact, brown in all shades. Blues, reminding one of cool waters, greens alone, and blue lavenders, all suggest coolness that is welcome only in warm weather. The reds, pinks and pink lavenders have about them a warmth which gives them entrance to the well-thought-out scheme of decoration for winter.

Water lilies add, at least mentally, hardness to one's comfort when the snow is pelting its ice flakes against the windows, but they would be a refreshing glimpse for the eye on a midwinter's day. An authority on interior decoration takes all of these small details into consideration, and the result is beauty and appropriateness.

The exquisite needle woman earns her linen with dross and embroidery hoops, so that the first little wear by her household pieces are more cleverly covered up than most women could manage. But that alone suffices for but a little while.

Always fold the worn towel on top of the pile of clean ones, so it will be used often and go to pieces. When it is too bad to use, cut the border from each end as the ends do not wear as soon as the middle. These can be elaborately embroidered and initialed. Then cut the ends from the new towels and attach the old borders, joining them with pretentious drawstring or hemstitching. By buying new towels without borders, the old ends can be attached to a longer centre, thus making a bigger towel.

A very simple doll cushion to hang by the side of the dresser can be quickly made. The head of a tiny Japanese doll is used. Around the head a length of Dresden ribbon is tightly gathered. This is stuffed with lamb's wool and the ribbon is tightly gathered again at the bottom. The doll's head is suspended by means of a ribbon, fastened to the cushion, back of the doll's head.

These little cushions make fine Christmas gifts to set on the dresser for fancy pins, and if used for that purpose, the ribbon is gathered around a flat ribbon covered pasteboard disk. The top is then loosely gathered, the cushion is filled, the doll's head slipped into place and the gathering string pulled tightly around its neck.

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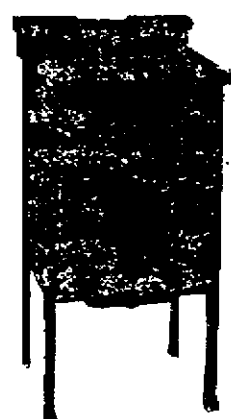
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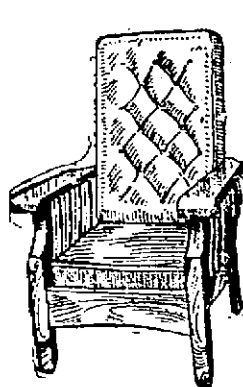
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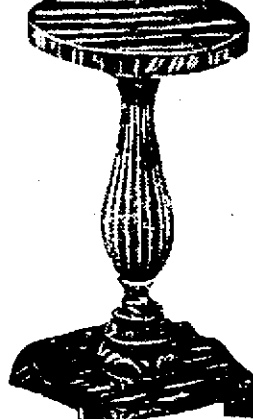
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MRS. ASQUITH WINS SUIT

OBTAINS INJUNCTION AGAINST LONDON PAPER WHICH SHE SAID ACCUSED HER OF DISLOYALTY

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The chancery court yesterday granted Mrs. Herbert H. Asquith, wife of the premier, the injunction for which she asked, to restrain the London Globe from the publication of articles which she alleged are libelous.

At the hearing last week counsel for Mrs. Asquith said she had been accused by the Globe of disloyalty and of association with German prisoners, and had been described as a traitor and a disgrace to her sex.

The only answer made by the London Globe since the hearing last week was an affidavit filed by the manager, to the effect that he knew nothing about the matter.

"There is not a shadow of truth in this libel," said Mrs. Asquith's counsel. "Mrs. Asquith has never been in Donnington Hall (in which German prisoners are confined), or had any communication whatever with any of its inmates."

Counsel for the London Globe expressed regret and apologized in behalf of the publishers, attributing the publication of the letters to disorganization resulting from the recent suspension of the paper.

Mrs. Addie F. Howie, of the school of agriculture at the University of Wisconsin, says cows have souls and respond to music when milked.

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LABOR'S PART IN WAR

For the first time in history a great nation is appealing for support to its workers and declaring in plain terms that on them will depend its victory or defeat. This is no mere sporadic appeal, but a solemn continuation of a cry for help that has been heard periodically for more than a year. There is much in the situation to set all nations thinking.

The nation is England, and the maker of the appeal to the workers is David Lloyd George, one of England's most able men whose present duty it is to see that the allies are furnished with munitions of war. For months he has gone through England, putting the issue squarely up to the organized workers, in whose hands is the fate of the British empire. He has appealed, he has pleaded, he has threatened, and yet no later than last Monday he gave the world to understand that the organized labor of England is not doing its just share in bearing the national burden.

It has been often declared that the war is a war of munitions, and all observers know that no victory has been gained without a veritable rain of shells and bullets. Partly because of thorough preparation, and partly through national efficiency, Germany has been able to keep her munitions supplies up to her needs, but she is reported as now feeling the pinch of exhaustion in its first stages. To take advantage of this situation, the allies have made preparations to turn out supplies in increasing quantities, and the heavy share falls on England.

On Monday Lloyd George declared that to recruit men for the new munitions factories which England has opened, she will need 50,000 skilled men and from 200,000 to 300,000 unskilled men. These will be needed to reduce the number of foreign orders, to reduce the cost of war "by scores of millions of pounds" and to supply the troops with guns and all other munitions.

Many times during the critical year that is about to close the great labor parties of England and some minor branches have obstructed and harassed the government. By strikes and threats and direct and indirect opposition, they have made use of their organized strength and have taken action to win concessions that, while excusable perhaps in time of peace, seemed grossly unfair while their country was at war.

Millions of England's best men are now under fire in the many fronts. Thousands upon thousands have given up their lives. Other thousands, according to most recent reports, are ready to take the places of those fallen. As compared with theirs, the lot of the workers who stay at home seems enviable. Can the organized labor unions of the British Isles be so heartless as to make of their nation's dire necessity a means to selfish gain? To this country it seems incredible for we fondly believe that should the United States be menaced by a foreign foe, the workers of America would be the first to rally to the flag. The test has been put squarely up to the rank and file of British labor, and the result will be awaited with interest.

HIGH SCHOOL GROUNDS

The proposed new stadium on the river bank at First street would adequately fill the local want of an athletic field for the use of the high school. At present we are sadly deficient in this respect and as a consequence our high school outdoor affairs are held in such private parks as are available and they are never as well attended as they might be. The want of a suitable athletic field comes home to the public each season at the annual field day and during the baseball and football season, while other cities have provided splendid up-to-date parks, fields and stadiums for the use of their schools in particular and for the use of the city in general.

While the proposed stadium on the Merrimack need not necessarily be restricted to school uses, it would afford a splendid opportunity for the development of high school games and athletics. Practice drills and drills could be held without trouble, and during the summer season the space could be utilized with splendid effect as a summer playground. The natural arrangement of the surrounding land makes it ideal for stadium purposes, and the location would make it easy for the school pupils to attend without extra cost or inconvenience. Furthermore, such a stadium would certainly prove a great attraction to the public, and our outdoor high school affairs could be made far more effective and successful than now. Such a field would also arouse a more hearty school spirit among the pupils.

No other location suggests itself as more appropriate for the uses of a stadium, not only for the schools but for athletic events generally. Ball games of all kinds might be held, with far more convenience to the public than now and consequently with more practical success. The preliminary cost would not be great, and if the city can secure the land at a moderate rental we believe the receipts from the public would quickly repay the expenditure to the city.

Now that plans for a greater high school are taking definite shape, the

city would do a very sensible thing in developing the river bank so that Lowell would have a public athletic park that would compare with the best in this part of the country. It is an opportunity that the city cannot well afford to miss, and the time to seize the opportunity is now.

GOOD FOR LOWELL

We in Lowell know that the city is prosperous to a very unusual degree, and a survey of our shopping districts is a good indication of it. Still it is nice to be told so in a prosaic state document, especially when the record of our prosperity is contrasted with the record of other cities of the state. The document in question is the report of the state bureau of statistics which shows that the city is having a great industrial boom and is outstripping its industrial rivals.

Being tabulated from the returns of the various labor unions, the statistics are representative of true industrial conditions. From them we learn that Lowell is reaping the benefit of war orders in almost every department of industry and that our percentage of unemployment is only 2.6 as contrasted with 5.3 in Lawrence, 5.5 in Fall River and 2 in New Bedford. The degree of idleness here is very small and there is work in abundance for all who want to work. Furthermore, the report says that building is brisk in Lowell, a sure sign of good conditions as the building trade follows the fluctuations of trade in general. In some particulars other cities report greater activity, but taken all in all, Lowell seems to be leading the larger manufacturing cities of Massachusetts.

With thriving industries and a happy wage-earning population, it is possible to have all other good things and Lowell starts out on the new year under most favorable auspices. What even the astute state statistician did not see are the many evidences of increasing prosperity, and the plans for industrial and civil operations that will set the city well ahead. The public attitude is one of confidence and optimism, and there is no reason for pessimism in our outlook for the year 1916. Without envy or undue pride the people of Lowell may well feel that they have a city that merits its title "The City of Opportunity."

TWO VERSIONS

The statement from Washington that the dismissal of the naval and military attaches of Germany has delayed full settlement of the Lusitania case is plausible. Once again it brings into the international situation a factor not often considered—the public opinion of Germany. As in this country our government could not well adopt a policy at variance with the wishes of the people, so in Germany the government is most particular to avoid anything that would tend to inflame the popular passion. At various times during the more delicate controversies, the people of Germany resented what they regarded as too great leniency on the part of Count von Bernstorff, and it has been suspected that the German officials do not always give a like version of facts to this government and to their own people. When German diplomats stepped forward and backward and sideways, they had an eye to the spirit of their own people, and now that the dismissal of the two German agents has displeased the central powers, Germany postpones action on the Lusitania case, which, it is said, was near settlement. When the difficulties of the German situation are considered, on the one hand entering to the confidence and vanity of the German people and on the other palliating American public opinion, its diplomacy looks less contemptible. Luckily for Germany, the American state department is more patient, if less glib, than the German people.

GETTING HARDENED?

William Jennings Bryan's paper, "The Commoner," makes the charge that the American people are becoming "calloused with war reports or so interested in war loans or so weary of war material that big newspapers make fun of those who talk of peace." Part of the charge is true. Without doubt the people are not so filled with the horror of the war as they were last year. When the first Sunday in October, 1914, was set apart as Peace Sunday, and observed by prayers in all the churches, the prayers for peace were apparently more fervent than now. It is not fair to ascribe this change to war orders or to war loans, but without doubt the people are more hardened to the war than they were a year ago. The world quickly adjusts itself to new conditions, and the war has become more or less commonplace. Now we read the papers as though they always had war reports and always will have them. Moreover, the aspect of the war has changed materially since October, 1914, and while the people at heart want peace they do not wish for a peace that will crown aggression and bloody lust for conquest. Realizing that some kinds of peace are as bad as war, the American people do not want a peace that will be to the advantage of those who banished peace from the world. We find all the callousness in the deep

and fervent hope that there shall be no peace without justice and that the peace that does come will be permanent.

A DARK CHAPTER

The failure at the Dardanelles is probably the worst episode in the history of England's army and navy, its only redeeming feature being its record of sacrifice and fruitless achievement. Now universally condemned, it was hailed at the time of its inception as a brilliant move that would result in the fall of Constantinople and the opening of a way from Russia to the Mediterranean. On the bloody tip of the Gallipoli peninsula, England's empire proved its loyalty in right royal fashion, and in the fifty thousand graves of England's sacrificed soldiers are sturdy sons of Australia, New Zealand and Ireland whose deeds were more valiant than those of Trojan heroes. Had England so chosen, the land gained could probably have been held indefinitely, but there is other work for soldiers to do in checking the new designs of Germany on England's eastern possessions. Having failed, England did well to confess the failure and to abandon an attempt that was so evidently doomed to defeat for some time, though once regarded as the deciding factor in the war. The defeat of the Germans at the Marne and the defeat of the allies at the Dardanelles are the two greatest failures of the war and the imagination hails at what might have been if the result in both cases had been different.

The great industrial exposition was not intended by the board of trade as a direct money-maker, and it was good business management to make receipts and expenditures tally. That the show was beneficial, nobody will doubt—beneficial to the board of trade, to the individual exhibitors and to the city of Lowell which profited most by a higher reputation in the minds of the citizens.

The pleasures of anticipation are never keener than during the few days before Christmas. Expectation fairly shines out of the faces of the men who carry the big bundles. The women wear mysterious smiles, blended with worryment, and the children—well, the children expect Santa Claus, and that is all. It is a wonderful time and one cannot long for it too much.

The government may not have caught all the foreign plotters and their sympathizers, but those not in the toils must feel pretty discouraged. The activity of Washington secret service men and the repudiation of the Berlin government make a bad combination for the bomb artists.

Does your home give any message of Christmas to those who pass?

SEEN AND HEARD

There's a man in Lowell who says his quarrel with work grew out of the fact that it interfered with his smoking.

Anyway, the most hardened cynic will admit that the season of Christmas has become, in these modern days, a "truly touching" affair.

Even mother and the growing boys and girls find it so—but, as a rule, father is "touched" most of all, and gee whiz, he feels it!

Untold millions of married men will go to bed tonight, after getting all the worst of domestic arguments, vowing that never again will they permit themselves to argue with a woman.

Had lively time outside. At a public dinner in the country a farmer, while relating something to the company about two foreign women, said:

"I declare they were the ugliest women I have seen anywhere."

Two maiden ladies of no remarkable beauty. The farmer, who was a little misty, began to think that he had made a mess of it, and that they would imagine he was alluding to them, so to put matters straight, as he thought, he added:

"Present company excepted."

Roars of laughter ensued, and in a

It's a Grave Mistake

to accept wines or alcoholic mixtures as Spring medicine; their false stimulation is followed by greater depression.

Get the pure, non-alcoholic Scott's Emulsion, prescribed in medical practice for forty years—but avoid substitutes.

When Cromwell ruled England he issued an edict against all festivities at Christmas. The festival was altogether abolished, and the display of holly and mistletoe and other emblems of the happy time held to be sedition. In 1544 the Long parliament commanded that Christmas day should be observed as a strict fast, when all people should think over and deplore the present sin of which they and their forefathers had been guilty in making merry at that season.

few minutes both farmer and ladies had vanished.

Or At Football Games

This bit of wit comes from a teacher of vocal music in Portland: For a solid half hour the ambitious youth had been making the air hideous with what he called singing. He was showing off his abilities to a singing master, who sat on in a daze.

After one particularly unpleasant howl, the singer turned to his listener. "Well, sir," he asked, in a confident voice, "do you think I can ever do anything with my voice?"

The singing master eyed him sorrowfully, as he answered: "Er—well, it might come in useful to yell for help in case of fire!"

Hard World, Isn't it?

A tourist recently came across the laziest man he had ever struck. The latter lived in a little cottage, and seemed to do nothing but smoke.

The traveller, very energetic himself, sought to discover how the man passed his time. First he spoke of his own busy career.

"I've held my present job seven years," he said proudly.

"Oh, I sit by the fire and watch that the kids don't fall in."

"What do you do in the summer?" he asked.

"I sit by the well and pull the kids out when they fall in."

"What will you do when the children grow up and don't need watching?" he asked.

"Oh, then, I suppose, I'll take things easy and retire!" replied the cottager, returning to his pipe.

The Pufftops

My friend, have you heard of the Town of Yawn.

On the banks of the River Slow. Where blooms the Wallowing Flower fair, Where the Sometimeorther scents the And the Soft Geasys grow?

It lies in the valley of Whatsthense, In the province of Letherslie; That Tired Feeling is native there, It's the home of the Hattess Montaire, Where the Pufftops abide.

The Pufftops smile when we ask them to join, And they say they will do it tomorrow.

And so they delay from day to day, Till Death cycles up and takes them away.

And their families beg, steal or borrow.

Primer of Literature

What is the literature of today? Fiction.

How is fiction divided? Into historical novels and nature books.

What is a historical novel? One that shows no trace of history or of novelty.

What is a nature book? A volume of misinformation about animals.

What are the best selling books? Those which sell the best people.

What is a magazine? A small body of literature entirely surrounded by advertisements.

Why is a comic paper so called? Because it's so funny that anybody buys it.

What is a critic? A critic is a man who writes about the books he doesn't like.

What is a minor poet? A poet not yet 21 years of age.

What is a major poet? There isn't any.

What is a publisher? A man who is blamed is a book doesn't sell, and is ignored if it does.

What makes a book a phenomenal success? Much bad, much bad, and much ad—Carolyn Wells' in Metropolitan Magazine.

"No Santa Claus?" Even mother and the growing boys and girls find it so—but, as a rule, father is "touched" most of all, and gee whiz, he feels it!

violently resisted in many places. Though the scenes were disgraceful, they served their purpose and put an end to an unjust order.

When Charles II. regained the throne the populace once more made Christmas a time of rejoicing.

GILSON GOES FREE

He Will Not be Extra-dicted on Kidnapping Charge, Say Police

David D. Gilson, the Civil war veteran arrested in New York city last Friday night for the alleged kidnapping of the two little James sisters from their home at 30 Wilson street, this city, will not be brought back to Lowell to face a charge of kidnapping. This was agreed last night after Asst. Atty. Gen. Nelson Brown and Judge Knight of the local police court had recommended to Supt. Welch that the extradition proceedings be dropped.

The assistant attorney general believes that the proceedings would involve too much expense. In order to extradite the man being held in New York it would be necessary for some person who knows David Gilson to go to New York and see him and then sign an affidavit that he is the man suspected of the kidnapping. This would mean that Mrs. James or some relative would have to be taken to New York.

It has also been stated in this city that all parties would be satisfied if the children are returned and Gilson is allowed to go on his own way. The children's own story is that they have been well treated and have not suffered since being taken from their mother.

Gilson will be informed that if he ever returns to Massachusetts he will be liable to arrest as the warrant will be held by the local police.

Supt. Petrie left last night for New York with a letter from Mrs. James authorizing him to return with the children. The decision to drop the proceedings did not come until late yesterday afternoon after papers had been secured from the attorney general and Governor Walsh.

Supt. Petrie also carried a letter from Supt. Welch to the New York police, informing them of the attitude of the local department, and thanking them for their co-operation. It is expected that the children will reach Lowell this evening. There are some features of the case that tend to show that the old man's motives were wholly charitable and that the children needed a protector, but this, of course, did not justify his course in taking them from their mother.

PREVENT SCHOOL FIRES

COMMITTEE WILL SUGGEST CODE OF REGULATIONS FOR SCHOOL-HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Several new members were added to its membership by the special committee appointed by the Faneuil hall meeting to prepare a report upon safety in school-houses and conditions existing in buildings used for public and parochial schools, at a meeting of the committee yesterday afternoon.

Owing to the absence of R. Clifton Sturgis and Professor Charles B. Breed, the committee was unable to take final action on its report yesterday.

Those who were added to the committee yesterday were: Charles A. Logan of Boston, Joseph McGuinnis of Boston, James McNamara of Boston, Chief W. C. Shepard of the Pittsfield fire department and the first chairman of Pittsfield, Hiram I. Dorman of the schoolhouse department of Springfield, Chief Nathaniel Bunker of the Cambridge fire department, Chief Sewall M. Rich of the Somerville fire department, Edward C. Minehan of the Marlboro fire department, T. G. Toomey of the Elm Street fire department, Brophy of the Boston fire department, James Moriarty of South Boston, Edward N. Kelley of Boston, Joseph P. Galvin of Cambridge, H. P. Jennings, president of the Boston Central Labor union.

The enlarged committee is to prepare a code of regulations for school-house construction to be reported later to the legislature.

GROOM 85, BRIDE 77

LEWIS SEYMOUR, CIVIL WAR VETERAN, AND MRS. FANNIE E. OGILVIE MARRIED AT MARLBORO

MARLBORO, Dec. 22.—Lewis Seymour, a Civil war veteran, who will observe his 85th birthday Jan. 3, and Mrs. Fannie E. Ogilvie, 77 years old, went to the home of Rev. H. J. Ballantine, pastor of the First Baptist church, last evening, and were married.

This marriage makes the third for each. Mr. Seymour's former wives are dead and he has lived the life of a bachelor at the Windsor house in the center of Marlboro. His bride made her home with relatives at 104 Huntington street. They have already moved into the house at 57 Newton street, where they will live.

The passing years have rested lightly on both. Mr. Seymour, although close to 85, has the appearance of a man little more than 50. His hair and beard, which he wears long, is streaked with gray, but his eye is bright and his step is steady. His bride carries her years well.

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ried, the ceremony being witnessed by members of Mr. Ballantine's family. The wedding was to have taken place three weeks ago, but was postponed owing to the illness of the bride. Then the couple thought of having the ceremony performed last Saturday, but it proved too stormy.

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Thousands of boys and girls, and men and women have enjoyed ice skating at the "Safety First" rink the past few days. This rink is on the old Washington park site, and is of course, readily accessible. The ice receives expert attention, and with freezing weather, it is possible to produce three distinct surfaces in one day. At present, there is no ice of superior quality in the entire world for skating. It is as smooth as glass. Courteous attendants are always on hand to assist the timid, and special emphasis is placed on the comfort assured all patrons. Parents may send their girls and boys with absolute assurance of their well being at "Safety First" rink.

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SITUATION WITH AUSTRIA

Principal Topic of Discussion in Diplomatic Circles—Reply to Lansing's Note Awaited

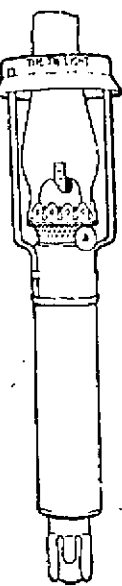
Special to The Sun
WASHINGTON, D. C., December 22.—The question of a possible diplomatic break with Austria has been much discussed here. The sentiment seems to be that it entirely depends on the tone of the last note sent by Secretary of State Lansing. Should that note prove to be as stiff in tone as the previous one, then such a break is regarded as practically inevitable. If the last note leaves a loophole for Austria to escape through, and such a point is very openly expressed here, then it is believed the crisis can be averted. Comment shows that the general opinion is that such a break at this moment would be deplorable. Moreover, if diplomatic relations should be severed with Austria, the chances are that those with Germany would be strained to the breaking point, as it is said those two countries are acting together in their policy towards the United States, and that no step will be taken by the one without the full knowledge and approval of the other. Until the contents of the Lansing note are made public and we learn how it is regarded by Austria, the result is a matter of mere conjecture. There seems, however, little doubt in the minds of men who keep close tabs on the situation, that a break with Austria means one with Germany also—and that it should not be forced at this moment.

The last official paper signed by the president before leaving the White House for his wedding was the proclamation designating January 1st as a day for making contributions for stricken Poland, the funds thus raised to be distributed through the American Red Cross society. RICHARDS.

A Last Thought

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STATE PROBE INTO STRIKE

PUBLIC INVESTIGATION OF STRIKE AT CHICOPEE FALLS TO BEGIN WEDNESDAY, DEC. 29

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 22.—The failure of the special agent of the state board of conciliation and arbitration to bring the officials of the New England Westinghouse company and the striking tool makers at the company's "River" plant at Chicopee Falls together for a conference, led the state board to set Wednesday, the 29th as the date of a public investigation in this city, of the strike situation.

The refusal of the company to confer with its striking employees has caused a temporary deadlock in the situation, which promises to become more aggravated by the calling of a general strike at the factories in Chicopee Falls and East Springfield.

At a meeting of the employees this evening, it was unanimously voted to place full power in the advisory committee of the employees, giving it authority to call a general strike whenever the emergency arises.

The leaders of the union stated last evening that no immediate steps would be taken to call a general strike. It was indicated that such action will be postponed until after the public investigation. Vice-President E. A. Osborne of the New England Westinghouse company issued an

open letter to the employees of the company last evening in which he stated in vigorous terms that the company would continue "open shop" conditions as a matter of principle.

BOARD OF TRADE

Two Distinguished Speakers Engaged For the Annual Banquet on January 6th

Two other speakers have been secured for the banquet of the members of the Lowell board of trade, which will be held at the Casino on the evening of Jan. 6, and they are Hon. Myron T. Herrick of Cleveland, O., ex-ambassador to Paris, France, and Hon. Theodore E. Burton of Ohio, a former U. S. senator.

Mr. Herrick is noted to be one of the best orators in the country, and no doubt will greatly interest his listeners. He has been the United States representative at Paris for some time and shortly after the outbreak of the European war he returned to this country, but not before having made an excellent record of efficiency. Mr. Burton is also a speaker of high reputation, and it is fair to assume that with the other two speakers, John H. Fahy, president of the chamber of commerce of the United States, and Dr. Hamilton W. Mable of New York, the members of the board of trade will be given a real literary treat.

Mrs. Harold Almer of Chicago, national woman champion troops shooter, is the mother of two children.

MIKE DORIZAS, PENN'S STRONG MAN, IS GOING AFTER STRENGTH RECORD



DORIZAS

Mike Dorizas, Penn's strong man, will be better than I have been in the past. This is my last chance at the other boost as soon as his hand, hurt in football, recovers from the injury. "I did 3,500 in an unofficial trial, and I don't think even this is the best I can do," said Dorizas recently. "I am stronger than I was two years ago, and I know something about the tricks of getting the most out of one's weight. My aim is 2,000. That's a pretty high mark, but not only a stronger, but after a week or so on the mat I

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25 Black & White Four sizes.....	\$1.25	25 M. C. A. "Londres".....	\$1.65	25 7-20-4 "Londres".....	\$1.65
25 Yankee Consul "Juniors".....	85c	25 San Souci "Superiors".....	\$1.50	10 Flor de Murat "Special".....	\$1.00
25 Flor de Murat "Navarre".....	\$2.25	25 Official Seal "Perfecitos".....	\$1.25	25 Flor de Murat "Frontenac".....	\$2.75
10 La Providencia "Factory Smokers".....	60c	25 The Major "Perfecitos".....	\$1.75	25 Pippins "Londres".....	\$1.00
25 Lady Curzon "Invincibles".....	\$2.00	25 Blackstone "Londres".....	\$1.65	25 Yankee Consul "Perfecitos".....	\$1.50

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Cigar Holders
Tobacco Pouches
Ash Trays
Cigar Cutters
Calabash Pipes

The Rexall Stores

MEXICAN SITUATION

Continued

the rioters shot, according to a military report, from the border.

A state department agent at El Paso reported that the American car inspector was killed by an irresponsible soldier, who was afterward killed by his own men.

VILLA NOT WITH TROOPS

One Thousand Villa Soldiers Have Just Arrived in Juarez—Several Killed in Riots

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 22.—The El Paso police department early today received a report that 1000 Villa troops had just arrived in Juarez from the south and that 5000 more were within a short distance of the town. The name of the commander was not mentioned, but it was said Gen. Villa is not with the troops. The arrival of the troops revived the report that the arrangement to surrender had fallen through, and that the town would not be turned over to the Carranza government.

Villa soldiers in Juarez, who, clamoring for their wages, broke from military control yesterday and enacted scenes of disorder, which resulted in the killing of an American trainman, and of several Mexicans in Juarez, early today, were still unopposed. The money, however, is on deposit in El Paso, awaiting the appointment by the Mexican authorities of an authorized paymaster.

Gen. Villa, whose whereabouts during the last few days has been a mystery, last night was reported from Rancharia, 70 miles south of Juarez, approaching the border.

Street car service between El Paso and Juarez, which was suspended late last night, was resumed today, but Americans are prohibited by the military authorities on the American side from crossing.

Representatives here of the Pearson syndicate have been advised that Roy Heard, manager of their Madra, Chihuahua properties, and 29 American employees, held prisoners by Villa for two weeks, have been liberated and are en route to the United States.

Nothing further of the reported troop movement against Juarez had been received here early this morning.

AMERICANS RELEASED

Action Was Condition Imposed Upon Villa in Granting Him Permission to Cross Border

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The release of the 30 Americans detained at Chihuahua by Gen. Villa, it became known today, was a condition imposed on Villa in granting him permission to cross the American boundary line. Advisers of the state department here believed that Villa intends to avail himself of the opportunity to escape from Mexico.

Nothing definite regarding Villa's whereabouts has been reported to the department today.

VILLA'S STATEMENT

Told Wife That He Would Never Come to the United States, Where They Hate Him

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 22.—Gen. Francisco Villa's last words to his wife over two weeks ago, as he bade her good-bye in Chihuahua City were: "I shall never go to the United States. I would die sooner than go to the United States, where they hate

WOOL ON WAY TO HUB

OVER \$15,000,000 WORTH COMING TO HUSTON FROM AUSTRALIA, ARGENTINA AND SO. AFRICA

HUSTON, Dec. 22.—More than \$15,000,000 worth of wool is now on the way to this port from Australia, Argentina and South Africa, Boston wool importers have been heavy buyers in the great foreign wool marts and special steamers have been chartered to bring forward the immense amount of staple.

The steamer Norman Monarch, which left Melbourne Nov. 15, and is expected to arrive Jan. 15, is bringing 22,000 bales, worth \$1,300,000. In all there are 17 steamers with wool cargo now on the way. From Australia, in addition to the Norman Monarch, there are now on the way the steamers Karame, City of Sparta, Dongarra and Suruga.

The South Africa fleet comprises the Hylas, Borden Knight, Belgian Prince and Gordon Castle, while the steamers from Argentina are the City of Delhi, Kronberg, Hysteria, Hosteria, Sark, Hesperides, Atlantic and Lewis K. Thurlow. The freighters from South America are also bringing general cargo in addition to the wool.

The closing of the Panama canal to navigation has delayed most of the wool from Australia, and it was planned to send them through the canal and thus save nearly 5000 miles on the long passage. Consignees have been impatiently awaiting their consignments, and some of the wool is urgently needed to fill orders from the manufacturers.

In addition to the steamers bound here direct from the wool producing countries, heavy shipments are constantly being received by steamers from Liverpool and London.

Boston is maintaining her position as the country's greatest wool center.

TURKISH WAR REPORT

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 22, via London.—The Turkish war office has given out the following statement: "There was local fighting on the Iraq front (in Mesopotamia) at Kul-Amara."

"A hostile attack against the tenth sector on the Caucasus front was repulsed."

"On the Dardanelles front hostile ships violently bombarded until late in the evening different camps in order to destroy the booty abandoned by the enemy. The bombardment failed to achieve its purpose. Hostile attacks at Seldul Bahr repeatedly were repulsed."

The "booty abandoned by the enemy," referred to in the above statement, is the war material which the Turks claim the British forces left behind in their withdrawal from the northern coast of the Gallipoli peninsula.

"The counting of the war material and military equipment left behind by the enemy at Ari Burnu and Anafarta has not yet been completed. Among the booty near Ari Burnu were two heavy guns, one Schneider field gun, a great quantity of ammunition, especially cartridges, rifles, a great number of mules, ammunition carts, and tents filled with provisions, and telephone material."

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LARGE HEADS OF LETTUCE.....5c
SWEET FLORIDA ORANGES.....18c
SWEET FLORIDA ORANGES, EXTRA LARGE.....25c
LARGE GRAPEFRUIT.....4 for 25c
CANDIED LEMON AND CITRON PEEL, lb.....20c
CANDIED CITRON, lb.....20c
ENGLISH WALNUTS, lb.....18c
FANCY LARGE PRUNES, lb.....13c
FANCY LARGE APRICOTS, lb.....15c
FANCY CREAMERY BUTTER, lb.....28c and 30c
BEST OLEOMARGARINE, lb.....18c and up
VERY GOOD EGGS, doz.....25c and 28c

INDUSTRIAL AND STORE NEWS

The Painters' union will meet tomorrow night in Carpenters' hall. Business of considerable importance will come up for transaction and a number of important committees will report. Officers for the ensuing term will also be elected at this session. President George Fildes will preside.

New Textile Organization

On January 12 a meeting will be held in Boston for the purpose of organizing the textile operatives of New England into a new labor organization, which will be for the protection of the workers of the industry. Until a few months ago all the large textile unions in New England were affiliated with the United Textile Workers of America. The United Textile Workers claimed a membership of over 20,000 members.

Molders' Meeting

The molders who walked out on strike at the Saco-Lowell shops last Tuesday and the coremakers who struck in sympathy held a meeting this morning in Trades & Labor hall, Middle street. Routine business was transacted and the strike committee reported no change in the situation. Several of the members made short addresses.

Barbers Elect Officers

Barbers' union, local 323 held a meeting last evening in the Middle street headquarters at which election of officers for the ensuing term took

place. The following were elected: George Maussett, president; Joseph Perrin, vice-president; Edward Dugan, recording secretary; Ovilla Peterson, treasurer; Henry Savard, guard; Joseph Coman, guardian; trustees, J. Anderson, and George Stowell. A large amount of important business was transacted and three new applications for membership were received.

Leather Workers' Election

The Lowell Leather Workers' union elected the following officers at its meeting held last night: Charles Shanley, president; Joseph Labelle, Jr., vice president; Charles Gendreau, financial secretary; William Brennan, recording secretary; Thomas, McFadden, treasurer; board of trustees, James Donnelly, and Benjamin Williams. Following the installation of officers a smoke talk and entertainment were enjoyed. The following contributed to the musical program: John Ball, James Tumulty, Richard Carlin, Fred Lindsey, James E. Donnelly, Frank Merritt, Joseph Coleman, Leo Shea, Edward Rogers, James Dillon, Thomas O'Loughlin, John Devlin, Odie Miron, William Reardon, Charles Gendreau, James Daley and Frank Warnock. The committee in charge of the arrangements for the affair was as follows: Charles Shanley, Christopher Moran, Thomas McFadden, John Feely, Benjamin Williston and James Donnelly the retiring president.

WANT WOMAN JUDGE

THIRTY WOMEN LAWYERS OF CHICAGO FORM PUBLIC DEFENDERS LEAGUE FOR GIRLS

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Thirty women lawyers of Chicago have formed the Public Defenders League for Girls. It was announced today for the purpose of preventing any girl from being sent to jail for a first offense, consequently to become the prey of professional bondsmen.

Members of the league will ask Chief Justice Olson of the municipal court to create a special girls' court and appoint a woman as judge.

REPORTS SEEING U. S. BARK

DURBAN, Africa, Dec. 22.—The British steamer City of Baroda, from New York and St. Vincent, C. V., to Vladivostok, arrived here today and reported having spoken to the American bark Ruth Stark on Dec. 5, in latitude 6.5° north, longitude 15.15° west, dismasted. The Ruth Stark sailed from Boston Oct. 17 for Sekondi, Africa.

NO TURKEY FOR TROOPS AT HAITI

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 22.—The transport Prairie, which was to have sailed from here yesterday with 100,000 pounds of turkey and 50 bushels of cranberries for the 3000 sailors and marines stationed in Haiti will not get away until Thursday or later because of a broken topmast and consequently will not reach Haiti until after Christmas.

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\$6.00 Dull Brass Smoking Trays.....	\$3.98	SOFA PILLOWS - - 39c
\$3.00 Dull Brass Smoking Stands.....	\$1.98	SLEDS - - 50c to \$3.50
\$5.00 Dull Brass Smoking Stands.....	\$3.98	GERMAN DRESSED UP DOLLS, Worth \$1.25, for.....
\$3.00 Bright Brass Costumers.....	\$1.75	98c
\$6.00 Dull Brass Costumers.....	\$4.75	Everything in Furniture for Serviceable Gifts

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Children's \$3.00 Fumed Oak Desk and Chair..... \$1.95

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AUTOMOBILE NEWS

GIFTS FOR THE AUTOISTS

MANY CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS IN THE NUMEROUS LOCAL SUPPLY STORES

The first of the year a headlight law regulating the lights of an automobile upon the roads of this state will go into effect. This law is responsible for considerable worry to all autoists, owing to its requirements. Joseph M. Carney of the Boston Auto Supply, in his advertisement today, announces a detector which he claims has the approval of the state highway commission. One entering the Boston Auto Supply, Bridge street, will find many articles in the line of auto accessories which make ideal Christmas gifts for an autoist. Among these can be mentioned radiator robes, tires, tubes and horns.

V. A. French of the French Auto Service is in a position to accommodate parties who expect to visit friends out of town, or who intend to take a trip during the holidays.

Mr. Rochette of the Lowell Motor Mart makes another clever suggestion as to the way in which one may give a friend a Dodge Brothers motor car. Upon the payment of one hundred dollars, a gift certificate will be issued. The car will be delivered in the spring upon the payment of the balance in monthly payments. Mr. Rochette in his advertisement in this issue of The Sun explains this convenient plan in full detail. Many useful Christmas gifts in the line of auto accessories can be purchased at the Lowell Motor Mart.

Geo. R. Dana has something to say in an advertisement on this page of this paper regarding the put and stay put of the Cadillac "Eight" and while this should interest the average per-

son more than the car's speed qualities, yet Mr. Dana says there appears to be a streak of human nature in many of us which likes to know we own a car not only with all the desired every day qualities, but which has the great "pep" slumbering in its mechanism.

Recent advices from Mr. Claud Nolan, the Cadillac representative at Jacksonville, Fla., tells of a Cadillac "Eight," guided by an amateur, having attained a speed of 95.2 miles per hour on the beach there. The car was driven over the course by several individuals at better than 90 miles per hour, but Mr. Leonard of the Nolan organization drove it a measured mile in 37.4 seconds.

Recently a roadster owned by a young lady in Boston was tested out by a novice for "getaway" with the result that the car was sent from a standing start to 50 miles per hour in 20.1-2 seconds, and in the hands of the father of the owner, from a standing start to 55 miles per hour in 26 seconds.

lubrication: We must regularly provide an uncontaminated lubricant, must get it to its destination, and then we must guard the oil-film from contamination. The former depends on the personal equation of the driver's temperament; the latter, on suitable design. Every joint of the steering mechanism, every moving part, should be oiled, packed in grease for an airtight protector as well as for a lubricant, and then protected by an efficient metal cover or leather boot. Only by such means can lubricants be retained and deleterious substances excluded.

And then, more or less frequent inspection of parts alone will detect the dangerous loosened nut or bolt, the oil leak, or the bent tie rod.

Even so, wear does occur, as will show in undue movement in steering wheel or other parts, but there are provisions made for their adjustment. Utilize these.

Then, such is the perfection of modern cars, so implicitly may you trust your steering mechanism, as safely to forget it until time for another grooming.

The steering mechanism of the modern automobile should at all times be kept well greased and free from unnecessary play. All grease cups should be kept filled and given a turn or two every day.

The case containing the worm and gear should be filled with a lubricant every week.

The front tires should always be properly inflated so that no excess strain occurs to bend or wear the parts.

Once a month the leather covers on the ball and socket joints should be removed, and the sockets taken apart and cleaned with gasoline or kerosene, then repacked with grease. The ball should be cleaned and carefully adjusted in the socket. The leather should be cleaned and tightly leached over the joints. All the bolts, pins, etc., should be inspected, and if worn should be replaced.

If the above instructions are carried out you will be doing all you can in view to your safety and the safety of others, and you will also add to the steering quality of your car.

The trend of the majority of the modern automobile manufacturers is to evolve a type of motor practically noiseless and highly efficient, but it cannot be expected to remain so unless the owner gives the car proper attention.

It is the common experience that valves, in the course of time, become noisy. Frequent and proper timing, together with proper lubrication, will reduce the noises to a minimum. It has been the experience of many that much of the eliek caused by the two sections of the push rod striking together is eliminated by placing a piece of fibrous material on either point of contact.

It is well to examine your bearings and wrist pin bushings at regular intervals. If knucks are discovered in the former you should either tighten them up or retit them. If discovered in the latter the only alternative is to have them replaced.

Carbon, another evil, creates knocks in the motor. The collection of this evil can be minimized by properly regulating your oil supply and carburetor adjustments. When the piston rings become worn they admit an excessive amount of oil into the explosion chamber, which causes carbon to collect. The worn rings should be replaced at once. An accumulation of carbon can be removed to a certain extent by inserting in each cylinder while warm, a quarter of a ten-cent cake of gum camphor or a tablespoon full of kerosene and letting the motor stand idle a day.

SAFEGUARDING ROADS

Government Engineers Give Good Advice as to Care of Highways—When to Use the Drag

Water, not cold, is the cause of the deterioration of roads in winter. Cold weather does not in itself injure roads, no matter whether they are earth, gravel or macadam. In fact, an earth road will stand more traffic when it is solidly frozen than at any other time. Excess water, however, always is detrimental to a highway. When cold weather turns this water into ice, the damage that it does is greatly increased. Ice occupies considerably more space than the water from which it is formed, and every person who has lived in a cold climate is familiar with the powerful bursting effect of water when it is frozen in a confined vessel. The same action takes place when a wet road freezes to any considerable depth. It simply bursts, or, as we generally term it in road parlance, the road

heaves. Later, when the frost leaves, the road is disintegrated and runs badly. If this process is repeated a number of times during the winter, a gravel or macadam road may be practically destroyed, while an earth road may become entirely impassable.

A dry road will not heave. Rock, gravel, sand and even clay when perfectly dry contract slightly on freezing. In order to expand on freezing, these materials must contain or be mixed with water, and the more water they contain the greater the expansion which takes place. But so long as the road remains frozen, the damage does not become apparent. Hence the frequent and erroneous idea that it is the thaw which injures the roads. The injury was done when the water in the road froze and the particles of the road surface—broken stone, sand or silt—were pushed apart by the expanding power of the freezing water. The thaw merely allows the ice to melt and assume its original column as water.

The remedy is self evident. Keep the water out of the road. The time to begin preventive measures is early in the fall, before the rains begin. If the road goes into the winter thoroughly dry with the surface and drainage in good condition, the chances are extremely favorable that it will come out all right the following spring.

Keep the ditches and drains open. Remove all accumulations of weeds, grass, etc., which tend to retain moisture and obstruct drainage. Furthermore, do this work early, while the ground still is dry and hard. Vegetation and litter hold water like a sponge and allow it gradually to soak in and soften the earth. The job before the road man is to keep the hard dry surface formed in the summer time from becoming softened by the fall and winter rains and snows. When the fall rains begin the earth or gravel road should be dragged frequently to prevent the formation of ruts and the collection of water. All travelled places on macadam surfaces should be carefully filled in and consolidated.

During the winter, whenever a thaw is coming on, the cross drains and ditches should be opened up as far as possible, so as to prevent water collecting along the roadway. If the thaw is so pronounced that the roadway is softened, the drag should be used; something like a one-round trip of the drag, with the hitch reversed, will entirely rid the earth road of slush and melting snow and leave the road surface practically dry. Don't get the idea that the drag is not needed on your earth and gravel roads in the winter time. Instead, keep it where you can get at it readily, for if the winter is an ordinary one you will need it many times.

Winter destruction begins in the early fall. The best way to prevent such destruction is to forestall it. Keep the road dry, and remember that so long as it remains so it will not be seriously injured by frost. Keep the drains open, the ditches clear, remove all vegetation and litter, and use the drag frequently. If the road is kept dry to a depth of two feet below the surface, little trouble will be experienced by the road builders from the coldest winter.

FRENCH LINER ARRIVES

TOOK UNUSUAL PRECAUTIONS AGAINST SUBMARINES—ANGORA SURVIVOR ON BOARD

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Unusual precautions were taken by the French steamer *Patria*, which arrived today from Naples, Palermo and Lisbon with 41 first cabin, 21 second cabin and 550 steerage passengers, leaving Palermo the steamer's boats were hung over the side; steam was kept on the winches and at night all lights were out.

The *Patria* hugged the African coast all the way to Gibraltar, then repeated the precautionary measures on leaving Lisbon.

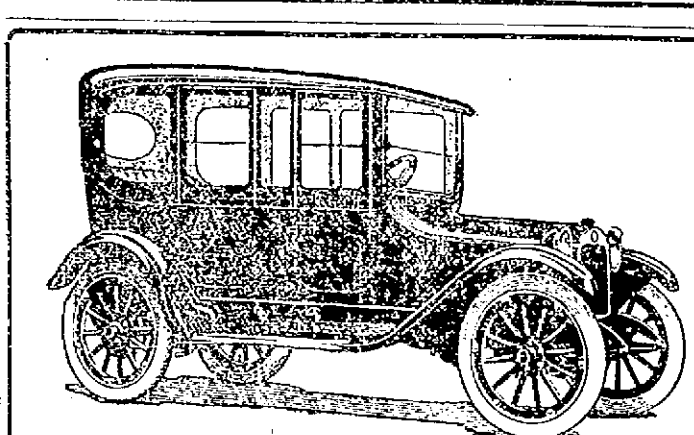
Among the ship's crew was John de Marco, aged 15 years, a mess boy and survivor of the *Ancona* disaster.

OPERATIVE BURNED
Jim Gurner of 165 George street was badly burned about the face, while working at the plant of the Day and cotton mills about 3.15 o'clock this morning when some hot water splashed on him. It is feared that he will lose one eye. Gurner was removed in the ambulance to the Lowell hospital.



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AUTOMOBILE QUESTION BOX

EDITED BY GEORGE H. ROBERTSON

NOTE—In these columns every Wednesday Mr. George H. Robertson, America's foremost automobile authority, will give expert advice to motorists on how to repair and operate their machines. Automobile readers of THE SUN are invited to send in questions or problems they may wish to have answered. Such questions will receive attention in due time. Address all communications to Automobile Editor, Sun, Lowell, Mass. Communications must bear the signature and address of the sender, though not for publication but as a guarantee of good faith.

I have a motor car that has given me considerable trouble, the last two months. The motor has been pounding very loud, but after I scraped the carbon off from the cylinders it did not pound near so much, but still I can hear it when the car runs fast without any hard pulling. The wrist pins seem to have a little play. Where can I get them made? How shall I put on new piston rings? How shall I get a Rayfield carburetor? Are the Cutting cars made any more, and if so where is the company located? Also please give me the name and address of a company where I can get repairs for this car.

Ans. If the wrist pins are loose or any of the bearings are loose the motor will have a knock. Most any machine shop can make new wrist pins for you. In order to fit and install new piston rings it will be necessary to remove the cylinders. The rings should be fitted accurately to the pistons and cylinders. Any good mechanic can do this work.

As for the carburetor adjustment you do not state what size carburetor you are using, and for this reason definite information cannot be advanced. If you will write to the carburetor company, giving them the detailed information, they will gladly forward all the instructions necessary. You might also ask for an adjustment sheet, which will explain everything in detail.

You can obtain parts for your car from the Cutting Auto company, Jackson, Mich., and also from the Cutting Motor Car company, Waterloo, Iowa.

Will you please let me know through your columns what effect worn timing gears would have on the running of a car. A friend of mine claims it is possible for a car to start itself after having "died" if the switch is turned on battery and gear is in first speed. He said this happened to him when pushing a car.

Ans. Timing gears which are badly worn will more or less upset the valve timing. When there is considerable back lash in the gears the lead to the valves varies. The gears must be very badly worn, however, to cause any perceptible effect. Of course the more they are worn the more delay they will be and when considerable back lash takes place there will be more or less of a point set up in the motor.

It is possible for a car to start in the manner you have outlined. Usually the throttle is open before the switch is turned on and if the motor holds compression well it is quite apt to start on the spark. With a good size motor there should be sufficient power in the first impulse to carry it to the next. Ordinarily, however, the motor would stall after the first explosion. As stated before, the chance of starting the car under these conditions is possible, but not very probable.

In running along, and in second speed, whenever the car hits a hole in the road, the speed jumps out. Please explain the reason for this.

Ans. The lock which holds the speed change lever in place no doubt needs either tightening or replacing. Would examine these locks and fix them up.

I am having considerable trouble with my left rear wheel making a creaking noise as I run along. It is a wood wheel with a demountable rim. Do other wheels have this sort of trouble?

Ans. The noise is either caused by a wheel that is dried out or by a demountable rim that does not fit the wheel properly. Would suggest that you have a wheelwright look over the entire wheel and rim. This trouble is

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NOT TO ADMIT TEUTONS

Committee of London Stock Exchange Rules "a Candidate of Teuton Birth is Ineligible"

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The membership committee of the stock exchange today adopted a rule declaring that "a candidate of German or Austro-Hungarian birth is ineligible to membership."

This rule is subject to confirmation by the stock exchange at meetings next Wednesday.

DENIES KING PETER IN ITALY

ROME, Dec. 22.—The report from Caserta, Italy, that King Peter of Serbia had arrived in Italy, accompanied by his prime minister, M. Pachitch, is without foundation, according to a news agency dispatch.

A very enjoyable party was held at the home of Miss Lorraine Sullivan on Adams street last evening, the occasion being a linen shower in honor of Miss Anna McDermott, who is soon to become the bride of Mr. Joseph McNamara, a popular young man of Centerville. The bride-to-be was the recipient of many beautiful pieces of linen. After a buffet lunch piano solos were given by Miss Mollie Sullivan, songs by Misses Kittie Shannon, Rose Moran and Mary Daly. The party broke up at a late hour all wishing long life, health and happiness for the future bride.

Women who own stock in the Lehigh Valley railroad number 8,832.

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AT THE ORPHANAGES

HOW CHRISTMAS WILL BE OBSERVED AT THE LOCAL INSTITUTIONS

Arrangements have been made in practically all the orphanages and children's homes of this city for a merry celebration of Christmas day, and in most of the places Christmas tree exercises will be held to delight the little ones.

St. Peter's

At St. Peter's orphanage in Stevens street, Christmas day will be ushered in by the children, who will attend a mass to be celebrated in their chapel at 5 o'clock in the morning. At this mass a special musical program will be given by the little girls under the direction of the sisters.

Friends of the institution have arranged to treat the children to a turkey dinner, including all the "fixins," and it is fair to assume that the gathering around the festive board will be a merry one. From 2 until 3 o'clock in the afternoon visitors will be admitted, and at 3 o'clock Christmas tree exercises will be held. The tree and numerous gifts including toys and useful articles, having been supplied by the members of St. Elizabeth's guild and other friends of the home. The celebration of Christmas day will close with benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel of the orphanage.

French-American

At the French-American orphanage in Pawtucket street a midnight mass will be celebrated. On Christmas day the 360 boys and girls of the institution will be entertained at dinner by Undertaker Amedee Archambault, who also gave the dinner last Christmas day. The order sent to the orphanage by Mr. Archambault includes 135 pounds of Vermont turkey, and all the fixings, including a large box of candy, 15 gallons of ice cream, 50 pounds of pound cake, 100 pounds of candy, 100 pounds of nuts and three boxes of oranges.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon Christmas tree exercises will be held under the direction of Dr. and Mrs. George E. Caisse.

Ayer Home

A feature at the Ayer Home on Christmas day will be the presentation of a one-act playlet, entitled "The Spirit of Christmas," which was written especially for the occasion by the

matron of the home, Mrs. E. J. Starr. The playlet will be produced by the best talent of the institution in the forenoon, when Christmas tree exercises will be held. At noon a turkey dinner will be served, and in the afternoon skating will be enjoyed in the yard by some of the children while others will enjoy themselves with their toys. At 4 o'clock the children will be taken to the Pawtucket Congregational church, where a Christmas concert will be given.

Children's Home

The matron of the Children's home in Kirk street informed the writer yesterday afternoon that Christmas tree exercises will be held at the home in the afternoon. Yesterday the children were decorating a large tree and they are anxiously awaiting the arrival of Santa Claus. A turkey dinner will be served at noon. In the afternoon the friends of the home are welcome.

Day Nursery

At the Day Nursery in Kirk street, Christmas tree exercises will be held Friday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock for children and mothers. Ice cream and cake will be served, while toys and useful articles will be distributed among the children. On Christmas day a chicken dinner will be served to eight children who remain at the home over the holiday.

CIVIL SUITS ARE FILED

THREE CASES OF LOCAL INTEREST TO BE HEARD AT CAMBRIDGE

Special to The Sun

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 21.—Sarah N. Richardson of Medford as administratrix of the estate of Sarah S. Richardson, late of Medford, has been sued for \$500 in an action of contract or tort by Peter Jacy of Tewksbury. The papers have been filed by Attorneys Vahey and Casson of Boston. It is alleged that the estate owes \$257.75.

The Boston & Maine railroad has been sued for \$50,000 in an action of tort by Mary K. Crowe as administratrix of the estate of her husband Daniel J. Crowe, late of Lowell. The papers have been filed by Attorney Philip J. Southwick of Boston. Mrs. Crowe alleges that on Saturday, June 13, 1915, while her husband was in the employ of the company, as a freight brakeman and at work in the freight yards on Dutton street, he was caught between a freight car and an engine tender and was so badly injured that he died the next day. It is alleged that the

car was not equipped in the manner prescribed by law and also that certain machinery was in a defective condition.

The Wheelock Jeffrey Co. of Brookline has been sued for \$500 in an action of contract by the Arthur J. Cummings Motor Co. of Lowell. The papers have been filed by Attorney William D. Regan. It is alleged that the defendant company owes \$192.75.

HOYT.

ST. RITA DEVOTIONS

A large congregation attended the devotion to St. Rita at St. Peter's church last evening. Rev. Dr. Keleher, pastor, officiated. The special devotional services will be held every Tuesday evening during the winter months.

ROYAL THEATRE

Authentic pictures of the last "Battle and Fall of Warsaw" is the special feature offered at the Royal theatre for today and tomorrow. These films were taken at the risk of life and limb, right smack at the front, where the heaviest fighting was going on. Fifteen special camera-men, encamped in the best positions, where everything could be taken in, were busy clicking the little camera, while fighters sweated and swore, many of them unconscious of the fact that a bullet had entered a part of their anatomy.

Heavy guns, roaring, and spitting death and destruction in action, flying machines, big, awkward Zeppelins, the navy of the nations, all this combination before you as they really and truly are. It's an inspiring spectacle, one well worth while to the man who likes to study modern methods of warfare. Besides this interesting and historical series of films, many other features and regular one and two-reel dramas and comedies will complete a delightful program for today and tomorrow. Friday and Saturday, first reel of "The Red Circle" and also Charles Chaplin in "A Night at the Show."

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AMUSEMENT NOTES

B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

Probably the greatest exhibition of animal training ever put before a Lowell audience is contained in the act presented at the B. F. Keith theatre this week by Derkin's European Novelty. During the 15 minutes that five dogs and two monkeys are on the stage no human being appears, and the play is carried out without the smallest hitch. Rusty, the most highly trained dog of the group, is almost constantly in view. He sits down most of the time, just like a man, although occasionally he follows some other dog into a doorway, and then emerges therefrom. Another dog, personates a butcher waiting for customers to appear. He leans against his shop, has paws folded in front of him. Still another is a gay young spark, who takes his lady to a movie, and another is a policeman. This is an act far above the ordinary animal turn. Kenney & Hollis, the original college boys, can start an audience giggling right at the start, and at the close everybody wants more of them. When Kenney gives his impersonations of national dances he is doing his very best work. "Skeet" Gallagher and Irene Martin, a classy pair of performers, please as much through their very attractiveness as by anything they do. Spencer Kelly and Marion Wilder in "Melodies—Past and Present" offer a high class musical number. Both are uncommonly good singers. They are assisted by Charlotte Maloney, violinist, and Dorothy Haynes, pianist. The Ramsdell Duo, dancers, open the show well, and the "Three Floods," pantomimic acrobats, close it with speed. Robinson & McShane are blackface comedians. Tickets for Christmas day should be obtained in advance at the box office.

OPERA HOUSE

Never before has such a great success been scored in Lowell theatrically as the Emerson Players are registering this week at the Opera House in the brilliant comedy-sensation, "The Big Idea," which is a Colton & Harris masterpiece, and which has been secured for one week only by special arrangement with George M. Colman himself. The play has scored a wonderful hit here and since the opening performance on Monday afternoon, the Opera House has been packed with enthusiastic audiences. For the remainder of the week, there is a big demand for seats, and wise patrons will secure theirs early. On Christmas day, the matinee will start at 3 o'clock instead of the usual time, 2:15, and as many as can should arrange to attend the matinee performance, as hundreds are certain to be turned away in the evening. Go today or tomorrow and be sure of seeing this great play. "Phone 261 for seats.

"The Big Idea" is an unusual play that lives up to its name, and the great enthusiasm of the audiences thus far this week indicates the most successful week of the whole season. Homer Barton as Richard Howard, the son, who is a big demand for seats, and wise patrons will secure theirs early. On Christmas day, the matinee will start at 3 o'clock instead of the usual time, 2:15, and as many as can should arrange to attend the matinee performance, as hundreds are certain to be turned away in the evening. Go today or tomorrow and be sure of seeing this great play. "Phone 261 for seats.

Joseph Crehan gives an admirable portrayal of Bob Caswell, an insurance agent. Walter von Doekman as James Howard, Gilberta Faust as his wife, and Dan Goodwin as his daughter, are very good. Richard Barry as Mr. Byrne does well in his part. Frank Wright as Steven Bingham, the stage director, is good. The scenes throughout the play are plentiful in comedy and dramatic features, and that it is the best woven play in years is the unanimous verdict of everyone who has seen this play.

The play tells the story of a rich banker who must raise \$25,000 by a certain time or face ruin. The curtain rises on a dark stage with the son and father discussing the financial trouble, and in order to save the father, the son suggests that he should commit suicide and in that manner secure \$25,000 insurance money for the father.



EDWARD NANNERY
Who is Seen as "Charles Gilmore" in "The Big Idea," Opera House, This Week



Greetings to You From the P & Q!!!

Merry Xmas to you! May it bring you the same abundance of good cheer that has been with us this year! We've already got that comfortable "Well-fed-let-out-your-belt" feeling — (proud but not stuck up, mind you!)

Business this year was 60 per cent. ahead of last year. Nothin' unusual, at that! It's been going on ever since we opened. 60 per cent. more men of Lowell have got the P&Q habit,—entire confidence in P&Q style, quality and price. 60 per cent more wise men—wise to these \$20-\$25 values in our maker-to-you clothes for

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Here's more GLAD TIDINGS! Yesterday's express brought a new lot of "plums." Every one fit to grace any festive board. Suits to suit and overcoats to suit. They sing their own praises. See them!

The P & Q Shop

48 CENTRAL ST.

OPP. MIDDLE ST.

This plan is frustrated by Elaine Foster, a girl, who suggests that she and Richard Howard, the son, write a play around the real facts and sell it. It is just around these facts that the authors, Augustus Thomas and Clayton Hamilton, have woven this play and made it the wonderful success that it is.

Next week, the Emerson Players will present "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," and Miss Ann O'Day, the popular leading lady, will be seen in the title role after a two weeks' rest upon the advice of her physician. Miss O'Day is feeling fine, and has already started rehearsals for "Rebecca." This play is being offered for the first time in Lowell at popular prices and, of peculiar coincidence is the fact that "Rebecca" was originally produced in this city before it went to the Belasco theatre in New York city for a year's run.

"Rebecca" is a sweet, wholesome play of New England life, and its production by the Emerson Players will be one of the biggest events ever known in theatricals in this city. Seats are now selling for the entire week.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

Fanny Ward will make her last appearance in "The Cheat" today at all performances given at the Merrimack Square theatre. If you are one who has not seen her in her intimate characterization in this Paramount masterpiece, which even Mr. Lasky himself considers his greatest achievement to date, you should take this final opportunity to behold one of the greatest and most versatile impersonations on the motion picture screen today. Fanny Ward, great though her former appearances have been, appears at her best in the role of the reckless butterfly in this story. Here is the role which often finds its counterpart in many an idle rich woman

who wantonly fritters away her time and squanders thoughtlessly her husband's money on extravagant dress and the like. The dresses which Miss Ward wears in the picture are the very latest Paris creations, pleasing to the eye of any critic on dress. The scenes are elaborate and are worthy backgrounds for a star of Miss Ward's brilliancy. The two-act Charlie Chaplin comedy entitled "A Night in the Show," is both funny and aqueous. Everybody in the play gets a shower bath. "Marina" is a beautiful tale of the plot of a poor Italian girl which overcomes the base designs of her father's landlord. All these and other interesting pictures will again be shown today at the Merrimack Square theatre for the last time. The feature for the next three days will be the five-act Paramount drama of home and politics, "The Reform Candidate," starring the well known Macklyn Arbuckle. Other pictures which are bound to please will also be included in the program for the next three days at the Merrimack Square theatre.

On today and tomorrow the famous Selig Red Seal photoplay, "The Rosary," in seven wonderful reels, will be presented at the Owl theatre. In this great moral teaching drama, which is good as any good sermon, two of the most popular stars in the movie world, Kathryn Williams and Charles Clary, were selected to appear in the leading roles.

The story of "The Rosary" is one which is well known to us all. It tells us of the happy household of a young married couple, into which a note of menace begins to creep. No one hears it but an old priest, the former tutor of the young man. Soon after the entire fortune of the husband is swept away and he believes that the wife is

the cause of his ruin. Husband and wife are separated, the home is destroyed and yet the cause of all this disaster is unknown. But the old priest goes to work quietly and serenely, with but one purpose in view, the restoration of the happiness of these he loves. How he solves the mystery and finds the one who has caused all the misery and restores the home terms a very heart-rending story.

Many other excellent attractions will also be presented at the Owl theatre today and tomorrow.

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C.M.A.C. HELD MEETING

NEW OFFICERS CHOSEN AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE INSTALLATION EXERCISES

An interesting meeting of the members of the C.M.A.C. was held last night in the spacious and well appointed quarters of the organization in Pawtucket street. President Arthur St. Hilaire occupied the chair and considerable business was transacted.



LOUIS ST. JEAN,
President.

A new member was initiated and several applications for membership were received.

A feature of the evening was the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: Louis St. Jean, president; Wilfrid Achin, vice-president; Thomas Berube, recording secretary; Albert A. Hanel, assistant recording secretary; Adolphe O. Brassard, corresponding secretary; Napoleon M. Leclair, financial secretary; Frank R. Leclair, assistant financial secretary; Joseph L. Lamoureux, treasurer; Isidore Trudel and Isidore Tetreault, marshals; Alfred Salvas, Harlan; Donat J. Brunelle, Alphonse Porter and Emery Racette, directors; Raoul Peitier, interior guard; Joseph Bouthin, exterior guard; Dr. G. O. Lav-

allee, medical examiner; Rev. Joseph Bolduc, O.M.I., chaplain.

The election was in charge of Rep. Henry Achin, Joseph Provost, Philippe Chapat, Albert Bergeron, Lazarro Boule, J. M. G. Fortier and Onesimo Tremblay. The Australian ballot was used and over 200 votes were cast.

After the announcement of the result of the election, interesting remarks were made by the newly elected officers, and a committee was appointed to arrange for a social gathering in connection with the installation of the newly elected officers, which will take place on Tuesday evening, Jan. 4.

CHRISTMAS EVE CELEBRATION

Arrangements for This Feature at the Highland Club House Are Progressing

Arrangements for the Christmas eve celebration at the Highland club on Friday evening are progressing and the members of the entertainment committee, under whose auspices the event will be held, are working zealously for its success. All the members of the club as well as the residents in the immediate vicinity of the club house are lending a helping hand and the celebration promises to be one of the most enjoyable events ever conducted by the popular club.

The decorators and electricians have started to work on the building and will have everything in readiness by Friday noon. The brilliant illumination of the building and grounds will provide a pretty picture, while the various candles in the windows of the club and the houses nearby will add to the beauty of the surroundings.

The lights will be thrown on early in the evening, during which time the clubhouse will be open for inspection. At 8:30 the carol singers, under the direction of Alex Williams will arrive and begin their program. After the concert the singers will be conveyed in automobiles to the South common where they will assist in the big public celebration.

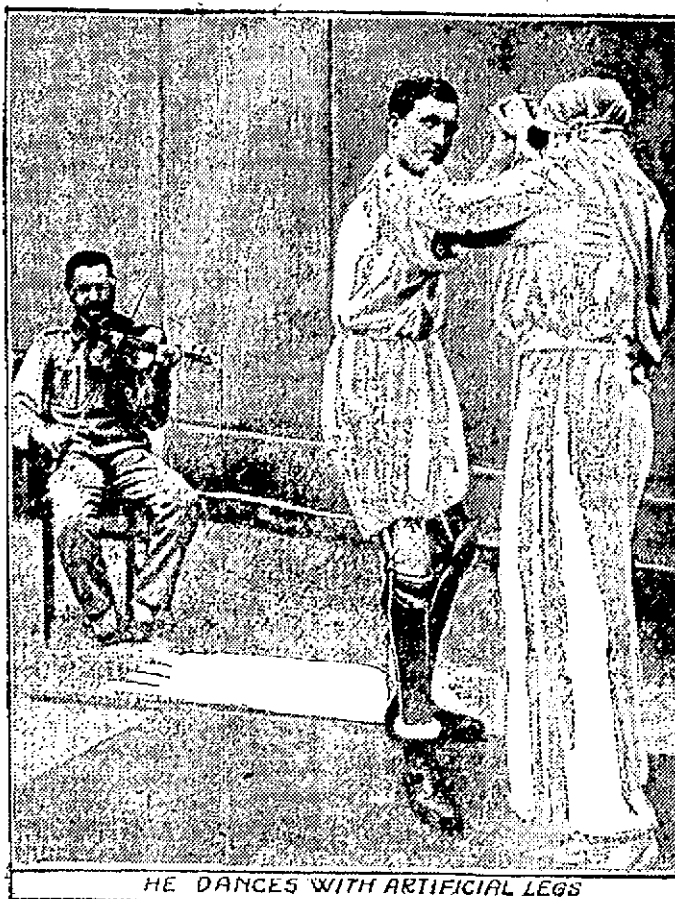
MILITARY COURSE

A large number of prominent business and professional men of Lowell have signed the application for the course of military instruction to be given by the Lowell Artillery Club.

The list includes quite a number of physicians, lawyers, bank men and others and most interest is being taken in the project.

A partial list of the subjects to be taken up includes the following:

Organization and uses of the various arms of the service.
Tactics, infantry and artillery.
Maps and map reading and simple map problems.
Personal hygiene and first aid.
Discipline and nomenclature of the Springfield rifle and Colt pistol.
Mechanism and nomenclature of the

ALL JOY NOT GONE WITH LOSS OF LEGS;
AUSTRIAN DANCES ON ARTIFICIAL LIMBS

HE DANCES WITH ARTIFICIAL LEGS

While it is not probable that the Austrian soldier in the picture is wearing artificial legs made in America, it is certain that the medical authorities of the anti-Tenton countries look to America for a large share of their supplies of these aids to rebuilding wounded fighters. This Austrian, who lost both lower limbs in battle, has acquired such control of his unnatural "pegs" that he can dance with his nurse.

3-inch field artillery material.
Field artillery shell, shrapnel and fuses.

Military correspondence.
Visual signalling, semaphore and Morse codes.

It is planned to make the instruction as practical as possible and not technical, and to teach the principles required of the soldier in the field. It is not intended to perfect members in infantry or artillery drill but to familiarize with the different branches, the material used and the method of using.

Any who may be interested may secure further information and sign the application by applying either to Lieut. Needham, 303 Sun building, or Dr. Clarence B. Livingston, Wyman's Exchange.

PITTSBURGH BANK CLOSED

CHRISTMAS CHEER WAS RUDELY SHOCKED TODAY BY THIS ANNOUNCEMENT

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 22.—Christmas cheer in Pittsburgh was rudely shocked this morning when the Pitts-

burgh Bank for Savings, one of the best known institutions in the city, was closed by order of the Pennsylvania banking department. G. H. Getty, bank examiner, was appointed temporary receiver.

The bank, it was known in the financial district, had been embarrassed by the failure in 1911 of James S. Kuhn and W. S. Kuhn, who were said to have been interested in the institution.

Deposits on Sept. 15, 1915, were \$10,945,713, according to the report made to the banking commissioner, and the surplus was \$102,514.

CHILDREN AMONG DEPOSITORS

It was stated that the bank had approximately 75,000 depositors of whom fully 45,000 were persons living in other parts of the country as the bank was among the first to take savings accounts by mail. Among the local depositors were many school children.

President Jones issued a statement today saying that the failure of the bank was due entirely to the depreciation of some securities held by it in various corporations.

Over 1,000 women have been engaged to examine all letters which have accumulated at Liverpool and which are destined to the United States.

IN MILADY'S BOUDOIR

THE INDIVIDUAL TYPE

Many women desire décolleté gowns, but alas have damaged complexions, hollow throats, rough arms, and hollows fore and aft on the shoulders and chests. The supposedly elusive remedy patiently reposes within each woman. If she did but know it. Of course, all women are not born queens of beauty, but each may cultivate her individual type and bring it to its perfection, where the requisite factors of intelligence and unflinching persistence have been the cornerstones.

The need of careful, daily grooming, deep breathing, sufficient exercise, sleep and a discreet winter dietary, all individually and collectively contribute towards making a woman divinely fair. When women realize this simple truth there will be no need of a thousand and one cosmetics, nor will it require an hour or longer to touch up the complexion, throat, shoulders and back as a becoming foil for the décolleté gown.

The woman who does not possess a fairly good skin and becoming complexion of flesh certainly faces a perplexing problem, although too much flesh is almost as much of a sin as too little. For, so where she will, to opera, dance, dinner, restaurant and theatre, gowns are décolleté and semi-decolleté, and the observer suspects tubercular tendencies when the throat is dressed high and the arms are screened with semi-transparent veils.

The easiest way to dissipate hollows and tendencies to blemishes is to take a course of treatment in massage and physical culture, where specific exercises are prescribed.

The best foundation for a décolleté gown, whether the skin is too red, too white, rough or otherwise blemished, is a warm bath, followed by a cold dash. Then the complexion and exposed flesh is thoroughly massaged with a cleansing cream. The fingers should be warmed so that the pores will absorb it more rapidly. Remove excess cream by lightly patting with a piece of cheesecloth, allowing a film of cream to remain so as to hold the powder.

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HELD BATTALION NIGHT

ENJOYABLE EVENT AT THE ARMORY—PRIZE DRILL AND OTHER FEATURES

The first Battalion night of the season under the auspices of the four local companies of the National Guard was held last night at the armory in Westford street and proved a big success. The attendance nearly reached the thousand mark, and all present spent a most enjoyable evening. The program, which was long and varied, was carried out without the slightest hitch, much to the satisfaction of the



LIEUT. HARRY G. SHELDON
One of the Judges

organizers of the event as well as to the enjoyment of the many spectators. There were several distinguished guests, among whom were the members of Major Colby T. Kittredge's staff; Col. Dingley, formerly of the Maine militia; Major Charles F. Sargent of Lawrence, a member of the inspector general's department; Major Charles A. Stevens of Lowell; Capt. Harold J. Patton, Eighth regiment; Capt. Keyes, formerly connected with Troop F of Chelmsford; Lieut. William Mahoney of Lawrence, and others.

The program started at 8 o'clock sharp, and for two hours the militia men entertained the visitors with a series of interesting events. The first number on the program was a prize drill for two silver cups donated by Lieut. W. C. MacBryne of headquarters and Lieut. S. R. Waller of Company G. The drill was entered by 12 men, three from each local company, those taking part being as follows:

Company C. Sergt. Raymond Custer, Corp. John Eagan and Private Stephen King; Company G. Sergts. John J. Higgins and Edward A. Deslandes and Corp. Howard Akery; Company K. Sergts. Ernest W. Mountain and Fredrick Fahey and Corp. Thomas Mann; Company M. Ninth. Corp. John Kenney and Privates Delphus Desrosier and Francis Haggerly.

The drill was conducted by Lieut. Harry G. Sheldon, while the judges were Major Charles A. Stevens, Capt. L. G. Hinton and Capt. Harold J. Patton. At the close the trophies were awarded to Sergt. Edward A. Deslandes and Corp. Howard Akery of Company K.

"A Day in Camp" by the "boys" of Company K under the direction of Capt. James N. Greig was the next number. This consisted of the erecting of small tents in regular company streets, while the members of the company went through the usual stunts incidental to a day at the annual tour. This event proved one of the features of the evening.

A delightful camp scene, entitled "Are You There?" was presented by two members of Company G, Leo Daley and Joseph Thibault. Company C, under the command of Lieut. Powers, went through a silent drill, in which the commands were given by means of signals and they made a decided hit.

The next number on the program was a tin up fight, the participants being Sergts. John Wallace and Russell Smith of Company M. In this the contestants were blindfolded and placed upon all fours on the floor of the drill shed. By means of the sound made by rapping tin cups upon the floor each man attempted to locate and incidentally annihilate the other. This number proved very interesting and was productive of considerable laughter.

A physical drill was the number given by Company G with Lieut. Thos. W. Doyle in command. Other numbers given were as follows: Boxing exhibition on roller skates. The bout was refereed by Alexander Schwartz of Company C. The participants were

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Frank and Arthur Clark and James Glynn and Frank Sloane, all of Company C. Guard mount by Company M. Ninth regiment, under the command of Lieut. Daniel Christian.

At the close of the evening's program the officers were entertained at luncheon in mess hall, while each company served refreshments to its members. The officers of the evening were Lieut. Christian of Company M, officer of the day; Lieut. Sheldon, headquarters, acting adjutant and Lieut. Kittredge, officer of the guard.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Wamesit lodge, 7102, I.O.O.F., M.U., has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Noble grand, Eli Brooks; vice grand, G. E. Lees; elective secretary, John Campbell; permanent secretary, John Orrill; treasurer, Isaac Tinker; warden, Robert Mitten; trustee, Fred Humphreys; auditor, Harold Housnell; delegate to district convention, Fred Humphreys, John McKinley; deputy, Fred Silk of Integrity lodge; pianist, Wesley Henderson. Brother Billings gave an interesting talk on his life in the western part of the country, and Brother Orrill also spoke. The officers will be installed at the next meeting of the lodge on Jan. 3. An entertainment program will be given on that night and refreshments will be served.

Loyal Excelsior Lodge

The following officers were elected at this week's meeting of Loyal Excelsior lodge, 6303, I.O.O.F., M.U.: Grand master, Thos. H. Holden; noble grand, Fred Swindell; vice grand, Samuel Kershaw; elective secretary, Lisle Se-well; permanent secretary, Edward Hanson; treasurer, Robert Hollingworth; delegate to district meeting, George W. Emmsley; George Camp lodge surgeon, Dr. Shaw; chief of staff, George W. Emmsley; pianist, Lisle Se-well; installing officer, W. Axon. There will be another bowling match between the married and the single men at Kittredge's alleys, Dec. 29, and a hot game is anticipated.

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STRIKE AT CHICAGO MUNITIONS PLANT

Official Hears of Plot to Force Strike at Sturgess and Burn Company Plant

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—The strike of some of the employees of the Sturgess and Burn Co., which is manufacturing cartridge cases at Melrose Park, Ill., went into effect today. The men were said to have asked for shorter hours, changed working conditions and increased pay for overtime. Company officials said that only 25 out of 175 employees left their work.

PLANT BLOWN UP

3000 Pounds of Nitro-Glycerine Exploded at Cairo, Illinois

CAIRO, Ill., Dec. 21.—The nitro-glycerine plant of the Aetna Powder Co. at Fayetteville, Ill., 26 miles from here, was blown up today. Three thousand pounds of the explosive exploded, due to chemical reactions. These reactions gave off fumes, thereby warning the workmen, all of whom escaped.

PROTEST TO ENGLAND

U. S. AGAIN OBJECTS TO PRESENCE OF WARSHIPS CLOSE OFF NEW YORK

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Another protest against the presence of British cruisers close off New York and other American ports has been made to Great Britain by the state department. The explanation by the British government of the close of the American liner Vinland, while on her way from New York to Newport News has been accepted as satisfactory but the incident has been made the basis of the new protest against maintenance of British cruisers just outside the three-mile limit and in the neighborhood of American ports as an annoying and unwarrantable interference with American commerce.

41 VICTIMS OF FRAUD

MANY WOMEN APPEAR AGAINST L. J. MARSHALL OF LISBON FALLS

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 21.—Forty-one women, alleged victims from all the New England states of Lewis J. Marshall of Lisbon Falls, who conducts a mail order business in silk bow ties to be made by women at home, stood three rows deep in the United States district court today, when they were sworn as witnesses at the opening of Marshall's trial on a charge of using the mails in a scheme to defraud. The trial is expected to last three days.

FIGHT OVER BOUNDARY

VERMONT AND NEW HAMPSHIRE IN COURT TO DETERMINE THE BOUNDARY LINE

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 21.—Copies of the bill in equity brought by the state of Vermont against the state of New Hampshire in the United States supreme court to determine the boundary line between the two states have been filed with the attorney general here. This state is required to make answer before March 13, 1916. The controversy

TO SUPPLY DYESTUFFS

\$20,000 ASKED FOR INVESTIGATIONS AND EXPERIMENTS BY AGRICULTURAL DEPT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Department of agriculture plans for extending the weather observation service throughout the Caribbean region, for investigations into the utilization of domestic products in dyes, manufactures and fibre plants for binder twine, purposes are outlined in data just submitted to congress by Secretary Houston. The information was given in connection with estimates for appropriations in the next fiscal year for the agricultural service, amounting to \$30,000,000 being \$2,000,000 less than the current year's appropriation.

An appropriation of \$20,000 is asked for extending the Caribbean weather observations and an appropriation of \$10,000 is asked for fibre plant investigations.

Because of the scarcity of dyestuffs from Germany, an appropriation of \$20,000 is asked for investigation and experiments in the utilization for coloring of raw materials grown or produced in the United States.

Congress is asked for \$150,000 for the collection and distribution of data on the supply, commercial movement, disposition and market prices of fruits and vegetables.

INDICTED FOR MURDER
PROVIDENCE, Dec. 21.—The grand jury yesterday reported two indictments for murder, one against John E. Champlin, general inspector of the Rhode Island Trolley company, on charge of killing Frederick H. Bishop, and the other against Michael O'Brien, accused of slaying his sister, Bridget, at Slaterville, Nov. 29.

DRAPERY LEFT \$9,226.50
WORCESTER, Dec. 21.—An inventory of the estate left by the late ex-governor Eben S. Draper was filed in probate court here today, showing he left property valued at \$9,226.50.

From Yesterday's Late Edition

TO DISTRIBUTE GIFTS

C.Y.M.L. WILL HAVE A CHRISTMAS TREE ON SATURDAY AT THEIR ROOMS

Saturday will be the big day of the year at the rooms of the C.Y.M.L. in Suffolk street when the members will get together for the annual distribution of Christmas presents. There will be a Christmas tree and presents for everyone, and Henry F. Sullivan, the well known naturalist performer, will act as Santa Claus. After the tree has been "cleaned," a musical program will be enjoyed with the following prominent members as contributors: John Quinn, Joseph Quinn, Patrick McGarrett, Timothy O'Neil, Paul McLaughlin and Charles Miner. The committee in charge of the arrangements for the affair includes the following: John McDermott, Joseph Foley, Stephen Ilesian, John O'Connor and Henry F. Sullivan.

CLEANING CATCH BASINS

ARTICLE IN MUNICIPAL JOURNAL TREATS ON STREET SWEEPERS AND CATCH BASINS

Charles J. Morse, commissioner of streets and highways—likewise sewers—has said that next year he would like to have a catch basin crew, the crew to consist of four men and a team. Mr. Morse points to the fact that there has been a great increase in catch basins within the last eight or ten years, but no change has been made in the process of caring for them. In the Municipal Journal for December the following article, apropos of catch basins and street sweeping, appears:

That hand-broom street sweepers frequently lighten their work by sweeping the street dirt into catch basins, thus saving themselves the trouble of shoveling it into their dirt carts and carrying it to the regular place of deposit, has undoubtedly been observed occasionally by almost everyone. This is, of course, but human nature, if systematic inspection and oversight or some substitutes thereof are not used to prevent it. But it costs more to remove a cubic yard of dirt from a catch basin than in the case of the street sweeper, and if the practice becomes general much dirt ultimately finds its way into the sewer and may cause deposits there.

If the street sweeper were required to keep the catch basins clean as well as the street, it does not seem at all probable that he would deliberately sweep into the basins dirt which he would be required later to remove with considerable trouble and labor. This is one, but not the only, argument in favor of having the street cleaning force clean the catch basins. The removing of the street sweepings requires periodic visits of dirt carts to all parts of the city. The cleaning of catch basins likewise requires periodic visits of dirt carts to the same districts, and there would seem to be little doubt that using the same carts under the same superintendence would make for economy. Moreover, one of the important features of catch basin cleaning is to know when the basins need cleaning, and the street sweeper, being continually on the street, can readily detect this by a moment's inspection, whereas if the cleaning be in the hands of another department or set of employees each inspection can be made only by special visits, and these can ordinarily be made only at infrequent intervals.

It would therefore seem possible to secure both economy in operation and improvement in service by including catch basin cleaning among the duties of the street cleaning department, each street sweeper to keep clean the basins in his own territory, and the foreman of each machine sweeping gang to be responsible for cleaning the catch basins within the area covered by his crew.

MAILING XMAS PACKAGES

DIRECTIONS FOR MAILING—RUSH AT POSTOFFICE FROM NOW UNTIL CHRISTMAS

Mail your Christmas packages today. Wrap them securely. Address them. The Christmas rush at the post office is now on. Postmaster John F. Merchan urges all patrons to mail their Christmas packages today so as to avoid congestion in the mails; to wrap them securely so as to insure their safe delivery and to address them plainly in order that they may be properly distributed. He has also requested every postmaster to put forth his best effort to handle this tremendous volume of mail matter which will be rushed so that it will reach all addresses before Christmas day.

It is very essential that the name of the sender be put on every package as the address may be torn, therefore making it necessary to return the parcel to the sender. Do not open until Christmas may also be written on packages.

A parcel post window has been opened near the money order window. Five automobiles and seven wagons were put to use this week to deliver the parcel post matter that comes into

WESTERN MINER AFTER MIDDLEWEIGHT CROWN DESCRIBED AS A SECOND STANLEY KETCHEL



Pugilistic experts of Butte, Mont., are singing the praises of a boxer who lately has been "cleaning up" on the middleweights of that section. His name is Leo Benz, and he is known as the fighting miner. Benz has been in the ring a little over three years and in that time has beaten all the 156 pound boys of Butte and the immediate vicinity. After the first of the year he is coming east, seeking fresh laurels and tougher opposition. Experts who have seen him in action describe him as a two-handed fighter who "picks a wallop" in either hand, and they say that he resembles in many ways the late Stanley Ketchel. Before he entered the ring Benz worked in the copper mines of Butte. He is the choice of the mining element throughout the west, as the man who will clean up the present middle in the middleweight ranks, and a man could not hit upon a better way of committing suicide than to suggest out in that region that Benz is not of championship caliber.

The local office. The parcel post rules this year allow patrons to send a package weighing 50 pounds within a distance of 150 miles and a package weighing 20 pounds any place in the United States. This is more than in previous years.

Everything is being done at the office to handle the Christmas rush. Names are being drawn from the substitute list of carriers as it is found necessary, four or five extra clerks have been put to work and the regular clerks are working overtime. So far the large amount of mail has been handled promptly.

It is important that patrons remember that all sub stations dispatch parcel post matter, money orders and handle registered mail.

ARRESTED LARGE COLLIE

OFFICER CONSIDINE TOOK IN A DOG FOR BLOCKING UP THE SIDEWALK

A large collie dog was taken in tow by Officer Joe Considine early this afternoon and taken to the police station.

WERE NEWSBOYS AGAIN

150 PROMINENT CHICAGO MEN BACK TO "FIRST LOVE" FOR CHRISTMAS CHARITY

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 21.—Nearly 150 prominent businessmen of Detroit, who obtained their business experience by selling newspapers on the streets, were newsboys again today, but on this occasion, the proceeds will be used to furnish a merry Christmas for children whose parents are unable to provide them with one. The old newsboys wore "good fellow" badges and were stationed throughout the downtown district.

TO SUBSTITUTE FOR WELSH

AKRON, O., Dec. 21.—Jack Britton of Chicago will substitute for Freddie Welsh, world's lightweight champion, here Dec. 25 against Johnny Griggs. They will box 12 rounds at catchweights.

STEAMER SIGNED

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Signal Steamer United States, Copenhagen for New York 1930 miles from New York. Will dock 8.30 a. m. Monday.

Stock Market Closing Prices Dec. 21

FOR COMPLETE REPORT OF TODAY'S CLOSING PRICES SEE LATER EDITION

NEW YORK MARKET			
Stocks	High	Low	Close
Am Can	52 1/2	52 1/8	52 1/2
Am Can pf	110 1/2	110 1/8	110 1/2
Am Car & Fm	78 1/2	78 1/8	78 1/2
Am Cotton Oil	55	55	55
Am Hdl & L pf	49 1/2	49 1/8	49 1/2
Am Locomo	68 1/2	68 1/8	68 1/2
Am Locomo pf	101 1/2	101 1/8	101 1/2
Am Smelt & R	104 1/2	104 1/8	104 1/2
Am Smelt & R pf	111 1/2	111 1/8	111 1/2
Anacosta	85 1/2	85 1/8	85 1/2
Atchafson	105 1/2	105 1/8	105 1/2
Atchafson pf	101 1/2	101 1/8	101 1/2
Baldwin	117 1/2	117 1/8	117 1/2
Bar & Ohio	92 1/2	92 1/8	92 1/2
Bar & Ohio pf	77 1/2	77 1/8	77 1/2
Canadian Pa	130 1/2	130 1/8	130 1/2
Chile	24 1/2	24 1/8	24 1/2
Cent Leather	58	57 1/2	58
Cent Leather pf	109 1/2	109 1/8	109 1/2
Ches & Ohio	62 1/2	62 1/8	62 1/2
Chl & Gl W	14 1/2	14 1/8	14 1/2
Chl & Gl W pf	51 1/2	51 1/8	51 1/2
Consol Gas	42 1/2	42 1/8	42 1/2
Cumulative Steel	73 1/2	73 1/8	73 1/2
Del & Hud	151 1/2	151 1/8	151 1/2
Del & Hud pf	22 1/2	22 1/8	22 1/2
Del & Rio G	27 1/2	27 1/8	27 1/2
Dis Secur Co	47 1/2	47 1/8	47 1/2
Dis Secur Co pf	41 1/2	41 1/8	41 1/2
Dis Secur Co pf	56 1/2	56 1/8	56 1/2
Gen Elec	175 1/2	175 1/8	175 1/2
Gen Elec pf	125 1/2	125 1/8	125 1/2
Gen N Ore pf	45 1/2	45 1/8	45 1/2
Illinois Cen	107 1/2	107 1/8	107 1/2
Int Paper	124 1/2	124 1/8	124 1/2
Int Paper pf	49 1/2	49 1/8	49 1/2
Kan & Tex	71 1/2	71 1/8	71 1/2
Mexican Petroleum	91 1/2	91 1/8	91 1/2
Missouri Pa	35 1/2	35 1/8	35 1/2
Nat Lead	63 1/2	63 1/8	63 1/2
Nat Central	121 1/2	121 1/8	121 1/2
Nor & West	121 1/2	121 1/8	121 1/2
North Pacific	115 1/2	115 1/8	115 1/2
Pennsylvania	58 1/2	58 1/8	58 1/2
Pennsylvania pf	108 1/2	108 1/8	108 1/2
Preston Steel	113 1/2	113 1/8	113 1/2
Pullman Co	164 1/2	164 1/8	164 1/2
Railroad	41 1/2	41 1/8	41 1/2
Reading	81 1/2	81 1/8	81 1/2
Rip Iron & S	51 1/2	51 1/8	51 1/2
Rock Is	15 1/2	15 1/8	15 1/2
California Petroleum	31 1/2	31 1/8	31 1/2
Go p	53 1/2	53 1/8	53 1/2
Go p pf	100 1/2	100 1/8	100 1/2
So Pacific	100 1/2	100 1/8	100 1/2
South Ry	22 1/2	22 1/8	22 1/2
Studebaker	165 1/2	165 1/8	165 1/2
Tenn Copper	54 1/2	54 1/8	54 1/2
Third Ave	60 1/2	60 1/8	60 1/2
Union Pacific	136 1/2	136 1/8	136 1/2
Union Pac pf	83 1/2	83 1/8	83 1/2
U S Steel	104 1/2	104 1/8	104 1/2
U S Steel pf	53 1/2	53 1/8	53 1/2
U S Steel pf	116 1/2	116 1/8	116 1/2
U S Steel pf	103 1/2	103 1/8	103 1/2
Utah Copper	75 1/2	75 1/8	75 1/2
Washington	65 1/2	65 1/8	65 1/2
Western Un	57 1/2	57 1/8	57 1/2

VERY DULL MORNING

SMELTING LED ALL OTHER STOCKS THROUGHOUT MARKET—CLOSING IRREGULAR

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—American Smelting and Mexican Petroleum, the chief features of yesterday's trading, were again conspicuous at the outset of today's stock market, both recording substantial fractional advances. Other oil shares, notably Texas Co. and California Petroleum, were in further demand, but elsewhere prices were inclined to react. The automobile group was heavy, General Motors and Willys Overland showing actual weakness. American Tobacco recorded a new low quotation for the current movement, losing 1-2 at 15 1/2 and People's Gas continued to reflect liquidation. Ralls were irregular.

Smelting led all other stocks during the very dull morning session, advancing over two points to 104 1/8 on within 1 3/8 of its highest quotation since 1910. Some of the metal shares were strong in recognition of another advance in the selling price of refined copper, but U. S. Steel, the specialties and railway shares in general manifested more decided dropping tendency. Baltimore and Ohio was unresponsive to the road's highly favorable November statement. The extent of the investment demand was measured by the heavy dealings in Anglo-French five, at 94 3/4 to 95. Bonds were lower.

Trading was a trifle more active in the early afternoon, but at the expense of values. Steel and a few of the rails tending toward lower levels. Anglo-French bonds were in further demand.

Smelting dominated the market throughout, rising to 104 1/8 in the final hour. The closing was irregular.

MONEY MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Mercantile paper 3-6, 1-4, Sterling, 60 days, 4 1/2; demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 4-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 5-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 6-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 7-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 8-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 9-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 10-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 11-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 12-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 13-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 14-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 15-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 16-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 17-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 18-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 19-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 20-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 21-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 22-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 23-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 24-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 25-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 26-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 27-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 28-6, demand, 4 3/4; cables, 4 3/4. 29-6, demand, 4 3/4; 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6.23	7.10	8.15	10.40	6.15	6.27	6.10	10.36
6.15	6.30	10.30	1.30	6.15	9.37	10.29	11.25
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Portland Division

b Via Bedford, a Via Salent jet, c Via Wilmington jet, not run on Holiday 1 Saturday only.	6.29	6.27	6.00	6.15
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KEY TO FIRE ALARM BOXES

- 1 All box numbers commencing with the figure one, as 12, 13, etc., up to 133 are located within a radius of about one-half mile from the South common, extending from Dutton street north to Pawtucket street and from School street east to Merrimack mills.
- 2 All box numbers commencing with two as 21, 23, etc., are located in the business area about one-half mile radius from the post office, extending from Boot mills to South common and from Dutton street to Concord river.
- 3 All box numbers commencing with three, are located in the lower Highlands, extending from the Concord

St. Wilder street and from Hale street
St. along the line of Western avenue and
St. Pawtucket canal to Pawtucket street.
St. All box numbers commencing with

1. Four are located in the Avers City and Blanchery districts, extending from Edson cemetery northerly to Hale street and from Chelmsford street easterly to Concord river.

5. All numbers commencing with five, are located in the upper Highlands and Middlesex Villages.

6. All numbers commencing with six, are located in Centralville.

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THE SPELLBINDER

The election of Francis M. Qua, to be registrar of voters, at Tuesday's meeting of the municipal council was a nice compliment to a promising young lawyer, and good fellow, but that's about all, it would seem to be, according to the "statute" made and provided, etc. It will be recalled that Hon. Horton H. Hilton was elected registrar of voters in January, 1912. But the election didn't hold as the result of an opinion given by City Solicitor Hennessey relative to the time when the election took place. That opinion is on file in the city solicitor's office, and according to some lawyers' opinion was equal effect to the election of Mr. Qua, in the month of December, 1915.

Section 24 of Chapter 11, of the revised laws of 1902, (re-enacted in 1913) provides for the establishment of the registrar of voters and section 25 reads as follows:

"Section 25: In every city, except Boston, and in every city, except Boston, and in every town having over 200 voters, as provided in the following section, there shall be a board of registrars of voters consisting of the city or town clerk and three other persons who in a city shall be appointed by the mayor, with the approval of the aldermen, and in a town by a writing signed by the selectmen and filed by the town clerk. When a board of registrars is first appointed the registrars shall be appointed in March of April, for terms respectively of one, two and three years, beginning with the first day of May next ensuing, in MARCH OR APRIL, IN EVERY YEAR SUCCEEDING the original appointment, one registrar shall be appointed for the term of three years, beginning with the first of May next ensuing, with the first of May next ensuing."

Section 27 of the same chapter provides that the registrars shall be appointed so as to represent equally the two leading political parties in the preceding state election.

The power of the mayor to appoint passed to the municipal council under section 21 of the new charter making no change in the time for holding the election. Hence when the first city government under the new form of government elected Hon. Horton H. Hilton, a registrar in January for a term not at that time expired, the validity of the election was disputed and the city solicitor gave his opinion to the effect that the election could be held only during the months provided for in the revised laws. Those months are March or April. Mr. Qua was elected in December.

It may be claimed that because the term had expired and the incumbent was holding over the time limit in the statutes does not apply. That would appear to be a question for the court to decide. If Mr. Qua has a legal claim to the office, he can be relied upon to maintain it.

Whether or not he was returning a double-cross handed him some time ago, Col. Carmichael certainly slipped a surprise over on the mayor and Commissioner Morse, who were ardent supporters of Fred H. Harrison, for registrar of voters. Messrs. Duncan and Putnam were known to favor Mr. Qua while it was supposed that Col. Carmichael was uncompromisingly for Chas. H. Anderson. When the vote was called for, it is said, the mayor and Commissioner Morse were very confident that the colonel would stick to Anderson and hence had no fear of the result. But he didn't and when the voting had finished Commissioner Morse remarked to him: "It didn't take you long to change your mind."

Some Poor Losers
Just why a man should become abusive and use real rough language in public places just because his candidate lost and he incidentally lost some money on him is what the members of a well known ward four social club

can't understand, after the exhibition put up at the club by a young man a few evenings ago.

"Swapping" City Property

According to report, some people fail to realize that the fact that the city owns the property in Kirk and Anne streets does not mean that it's everybody's property who wants a piece of it, for house fixtures and other adjuncts of the property which now belongs to the city have begun to disappear with surprising regularity, despite the close watch placed upon it by Commissioner Putnam. Just what the city will adopt to remove the buildings has not been decided. A Boston concern which makes a business of tearing down buildings and removing the debris is said to be after the Lowell job, through its local agent, and is ready to make the city an offer.

Talking Plan B

Now it is said some of the disappointed ones want the charter tinkered with again and Plan B, so-called, adopted. But as the citizenship of Lowell is not governed by disappointed ones, it is not likely that any such movement can gain much headway.

Par New Firehouses

The recommendation of Fire Chief Saunders, that a new firehouse for a combination wagon should be established in the upper Highlands, somewhere near Stevens street, would indicate that the agitation for the firehouse by the different candidates during the past campaign was about to bear fruit. All the candidates took a crack at that fire protection situation in the Highlands while the crowded condition of the schools also occupied their attention, and we may yet hear of some schoolhouse additions being planned in that section. One needs but to ride through the upper Highlands district to be impressed by the rapidly increasing number of dwellings in that section, or even to simply ride on a Highland car. Owing to building restrictions, the residents of the Highlands can't crowd each other uncomfortably. But there are no restrictions on the Bay State's Highland car line and the neighbors are certainly brought close together when riding to and from the city proper.

Hannagan on Civil Service

Says the Lawrence American: Claiming that he would abide by the evident desires of the public, Alderman Paul Hannagan, who was defeated for re-election as commissioner of public engineering, stated this morning that he would make no attempt to place the present city laborers under the protection of the civil service. "I am satisfied," he said, "that the proposed order would not receive a majority vote and maybe it will be for the best not to introduce it at this time."

"I am convinced," said Alderman Hannagan, "that the laborers must be placed under the civil service and until that is done, there will be this continued trouble and turmoil. Perhaps it would not do to introduce it at this particular time, but I believe that they should be protected."

"The majority of the people apparently voted to have a change and I shall abide by their wishes and will not introduce an order to place the present city laborers under the civil service."

Dr. Tighe's Request

The request of Dr. M. A. Tighe, city physician, for an increase in salary is a most reasonable one, in the minds of all who are familiar with the work done and the time put in by that painstaking official. The salary has not been increased in nearly half a

century. For years the job was a sinecure, for it simply meant a daily visit (perhaps) to the Chelmsford street hospital and an occasional Saturday night visit to the police station. But those days are gone and now the position of city physician is an important one and has been filled in eminently satisfactory manner by Dr. Tighe. The importance of some of the positions of certain city officials which on account of their nature seldom get into the limelight, (until the late Mayor Allen built up the milk inspection department some years ago, it was a joke department paying the milk inspector \$300 or \$400 per year, and the principal qualification required of the inspector was the political pull necessary to land the job. Until Dr. Thomas B. Smith developed the bacteriological department into one of the finest in New England this, too, was a department of minor importance. For a long time Dr. Smith's salary was a joke compared with the great amount of valuable work he performed. Dr. Frank Finnegan is at present doing good work and developing a new and important department, that of inspecting the city's tuberculosis cases. These are positions about which little gets into the papers but they are most important and each should be adequately compensated and equipped.

Why Not Advertise

The city has a big lot of buildings and their fixtures to be removed, which might bring a substantial figure in the market. If properly advertised, it is not enough to advertise such a big proposition locally, but the Boston papers and those devoted to the building trades and to real estate should be made acquainted with the fact that the city has the big parcels of property on its hands. If there's a chance to get back a few thousand dollars why not go after the money?

THE SPELLBINDER.

WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS

AUSTRALIAN OFFICIAL SAYS ACTION WILL NOT AFFECT AUSTRALIAN FORCES

MELBOURNE, via London, Dec. 22.—George Foster Pearce, Australian minister of state for defence, in a speech delivered here said the withdrawal of the British troops from the Gallipoli peninsula would neither lessen the determination of the Australians to see the way through nor affect a new effort to raise them.

RETIRED IN DISORDER

BERLIN, Dec. 22 (By wireless to Service).—Advice received here from Constantinople reiterates the assertion that the British forces which quit the Dardanelles retired in great disorder. "According to Constantinople reports," says the Overseas News agency, "the British left their sick and wounded behind. Their retreat, which they pretend was carried out systematically, in reality was a head-over-heels flight."

RESULT OF ERROR

WELLINGTON, New Zealand, Dec. 22, via London.—It is better to face the position and be done with it than to proceed with an enterprise which is commonly believed to have been the result of an error in judgment, was the comment of William Ferguson Macleay, premier of New Zealand, relative to the abandonment by the British of the Anzac Cove region of the Gallipoli peninsula. He called on the country to forget personal and political animosities and present a united front to the enemy.

CHESS TOURNAMENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Chess players from Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton universities began here today their 24th annual tournament. The games will continue for three days. Columbia has a record of 10 victories in previous years against nine for Harvard.

FRANCIS M. QU

Newly Elected Registrar of Voters Qualified for Office Today

Francis M. Qua, who was elected registrar of voters at the meeting of the municipal council yesterday appeared this morning, before the city



FRANCIS M. QU

clerk and qualified for the position. Mr. Qua is associated with the firm of Qu, Howard and Rogers in the Hill-dreth building, and is the son of Francis W. Qua and brother of Stanley B. Qua of the same firm. He was born in Lowell, attended the public schools and graduated from the Lowell high school in 1907. He then went to Dartmouth college from which he graduated in 1911. After graduating from Dartmouth he took up the study of law at the Harvard Law school and was admitted to the bar Aug. 28, 1914. Mr. Qua resides at 236 Parkview avenue. He is very popular among the members of his profession and is regarded by a wide circle of friends as a young man of marked ability, scholarly attainments and distinctive personality.

SIX-DAY BICYCLE RACE

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Chicago is to have another six-day bicycle race. The event, according to plans announced today, will start on Feb. 2 instead of continuous racing of 24 hours a day, the riders will race only 12 hours a day. Virtually the same riders who competed in the recent event here and in New York have been entered.

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PEACE AGREEMENT BETWEEN FEDS AND ORGANIZED BALL COMPLETED

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 22.—Unless obstacles, now even undreamed of, appear on the baseball horizon today, a peace treaty between organized baseball and the Federal league, one that will bring an end to a two year war that has proved disastrous to both organizations, will be signed here.

No official statement was issued at the conclusion of the meeting of the representatives of organized baseball and the Federal league last night, and, officially, it is only known that the Chicago National league club will be sold to Charles Waghman, president of the Chicago Federal league club, and that the St. Louis Americans will be purchased by Phil Ball of St. Louis.

However, semi-officially, it is known that at present no other changes in the control and management of either club of the National and American leagues will take place.

Rumors have had Harry Sinclair of the Federal league purchasing an interest in the New York Giants but this has been emphatically denied. Rumor likewise has said that a major league club would be placed in Baltimore, but this, too, has been denied by those who are in a position to know.

Other than the purchase of the Cubs and the St. Louis Browns it is semi-officially known that the Federal league will respect and carry out all of its existing contracts with its players; that all "contract jumpers" who have not otherwise been provided for will be declared free agents, and that the Ward interests in the Federal league will be reimbursed.

According to the men who are holding the conference here the only things to be decided are minor details concerning the international league and it was said today that the work of straightening out these details would only require a few hours.

The conference who were in session until almost midnight last night will reconvene at 11 o'clock today.

COURT NOT CONVINCED

THAT KEFOLEAS ASSAULTED HIS FIRSTWIFE SWEETHEART AND DISCHARGED HIM

An aftermath of the assault and battery case aired in the local police court last week when Asimo Kefoleas, a 20-year-old Cheever street girl, told the court that on at least two occasions she had been sexually abused by the defendant, Pericles Kefoleas.

Pericles Kefoleas, who was thrashed out before Associate Justice Fisher in court this forenoon, Asimo was again the complainant and her persistent lawyer, Pericles, was the defendant, the date of the alleged assault being Dec. 16.

Today the young lady said that in consequence of the court trial last week, Pericles waited for her near a dark alley off Cheever street last Wednesday night and when she passed by he reached out and grabbed her arm, thrusting her into a dark spot near the Tremont & Suffolk store house. This story was corroborated by a complainant's sister, who was standing in a nearby doorway and witnessed the trouble.

A small boy also said that he saw Pericles "put his girl in the eye" and that the girl followed it by knocking the pipe from his, the defendant's, mouth.

Pericles told a lengthy story admitting that prior to the last court case he paid considerable attention to Asimo, but stating that since that date he has had nothing to do with her. When the first case was tried last week, Judge Enright continued it one month for investigation, and it is now pending.

Judge Fisher was not satisfied with the story of the complainant in the discharge case and ordered the defendant's discharge. A. C. Havel represented the girl and D. J. Donahue appeared for Kefoleas.

The case of Oscar Palmgren, accused of unlawfully taking an automobile belonging to Joseph M. Argus, was placed on file after civil satisfaction had been made.

There were a few drunks in the dock.

NOT ON PEACE MISSION

COL. HOUSE GOING TO EUROPE—ANNOUNCEMENT CAUSES GREAT INTEREST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Announcement by Col. E. M. House of New York, President Wilson's close personal friend and adviser, that he soon would go to Europe at the request of the president and the secretary of state, caused great interest in official and diplomatic circles today. Secretary Lansing confirmed the announcement, but declined to add to it.

Col. House's statement declared that the sole object of his mission would be to take to the American ambassadors at the capitals of the various nations certain information regarding the Washington government's attitude on international questions. It was declared that he would go on a peace mission.

Officials today declined to discuss Col. House's mission owing to its delicate nature, nor would they make any response to questions as to whether he would make formal inquiries regarding prospects of peace.

The trip will be the second one made by Col. House. Last spring he visited Germany, France and England and talked with high government officials.

At the time of the first trip it was reported that Col. House acted as the personal emissary of President Wilson and that he went on a peace mission. This Col. House denied, although later he reported to the president on his observations of the state of public opinion abroad. While what he told the president never became known, it was learned that his plea of the situation did not change the president's belief that the time then was opportune for initiating a peace movement.

PRES. WILSON'S STATEMENT

HOT SPRINGS, Va., Dec. 22.—President Wilson said today that the European trip of his friend, Col. E. M. House, was in no way connected with the peace movement but was entirely

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Fudge in his statement issued last night in New York. The colonel said his mission was to communicate to American ambassadors in person for the president, certain information that the ambassadors might more intimately communicate the attitude of the United States toward certain phases of the international situation.

Today the president and Mrs. Wilson returned over to White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., for luncheon. The ride is about 45 miles.

SWALLOWED CORROSIVE

GEORGE SHEPPARD OF NORTH CHELMSFORD TOOK POISON INSTEAD OF HEADACHE POWDER

George Sheppard, a well known resident of North Chelmsford had a close call from death Monday evening when he swallowed a quantity of corrosive sublimate in powdered form in mistake for a headache powder.

Mr. Sheppard, who is employed in Mrs. John Marshall's store at Stevens corner had been troubled with pains in his head for about three days. On Monday evening he was taken with a serious attack while eating his supper. He sought relief by taking his usual headache powder, but instead of the headache powder he took corrosive sublimate for the headache prescription in his haste.

The mistake was quickly noticed by Mrs. Sheppard who speedily gave him emetics and summoned medical assistance. The prompt response of the doctor probably saved his life. Mr. Sheppard was talked to over the telephone today by a Sun representative and although he is up and about he is still in bad shape from the effects of the poison.

NAVAL ADVISORY BOARD

PROBLEMS AFFECTING UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER CONSIDERATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Problems affecting the United States navy are under consideration by members of the naval advisory board, who are here today for their second general meeting, after the preliminary sessions of the board will continue tomorrow. After the preliminaries of the last three months the board is now ready to consider formally the important questions referred to it.

In the course of its meetings the board will visit the New York navy yard where a division of the Atlantic fleet is assembled.

Today's session is devoted partly to meetings of committees. This evening the members of the board will have an informal conference with Rear Admiral John C. Goddard, president of the board, and Secretary Daniels as general advisers by Secretary Daniels as general advisers of the navy department today. Capt. Bristol, director of naval aeronautics, is expected to come from Washington to attend the meetings.

SEND MONEY TO PARIS

MARSHALLS, Dec. 22.—Eighteen million francs constituting the Serbian treasury have arrived here on the way to Paris. The money will be deposited in the Franco-Serbian bank at the capital.

PRES. GOODRICH DEAD

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 22.—Calvin C. Goodrich, president of the Twin City Rapid Transit Co. died today. He had been connected with local street railways since 1877.

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NEWS FROM CITY HALL AND DEPARTMENT WORK

Comm'r Carmichael to Help the School Department—Dummer Street Extension—Other Items

Commissioner Duncan is investigating the school board's request for \$20,000 to place out the year. The commissioner believes that the amount asked for is really needed, but that for he has not been able to obtain an itemized statement as to actual needs. He has learned that the school department will have \$25,570.45 to its credit after the payroll has been provided for tomorrow and that the department will be about \$2000 short on its next payroll.

NEW HAVEN TRIAL

Pleas for Verdict of Acquittal Heard by Judge Hunt

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Pleas for a verdict of acquittal in behalf of each of the defendants individually were heard by Judge Hunt today at the trial of the eleven former directors of the New Haven railroad under the Sherman law. The first was made in behalf of Henry K. Mellerg by Homer S. Cummings, who declared that 99 per cent of the testimony given in the case had no application to his client. He pointed out that Mellerg did not enter the New Haven board until June, 1907, and said that virtually all the acquisitions which the government complains of had been completed by that date.

Speaking in behalf of Lewis Cass Ledyard, Delaney Nicoll denounced the prosecution of the case as having had a political foundation.

"It was designed," he said, "by some peevish politician in Washington. The indictment was found, you remember, on the day before the general elections of November, 1914, and it was designed solely to affect the election in the New England states."

No prosecution, he asserted, had been more generally condemned by the public.

"This prosecution, out of the mind of whomsoever it may have sprung, is one of the most extraordinary in the history of the courts. It proceeds upon the hypothesis that there is but one God and his name is competition. It absolutely ignores the business history of the United States, it ignores the development of the Sherman law, and it ignores human nature itself. The essential motive of monopoly is personal gain, and these directors were merely trustees with no thought of personal gain. Everything, except politics, it has ignored."

Mr. Nicoll then took up his client's participation in the acquisition of the Boston & Maine, pleading it as chiefly that of vendor of the Boston & Maine stock to the New Haven "an ordinary business transaction."

As to Ledyard's trip to Washington in connection with the federal inquiry into the Grand Trunk deal and the letter Mellerg wrote with Ledyard's cooperation to the New York federal attorney, Judge Hunt said he did not hold those acts as prejudicial to the defendant "unless he had a motive to suppress an inquiry into the things that had been done."

The court said counsel should confine himself to these things.

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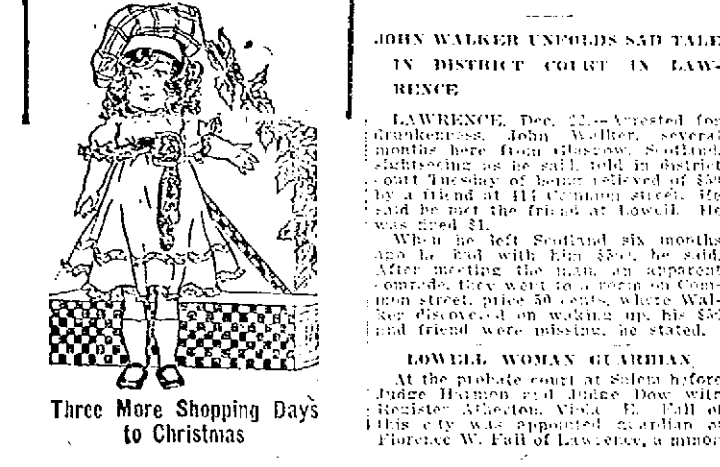
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1200 GERMANS TAKEN IN NEW FRENCH DRIVE

Austrian Submarine Captured—Conqueror of Liege Dead—Second Ancona Note Reaches Vienna—England's Demand for Million Men Approved—British Troops Withdrawn

After the French had made an important gain in the Vosges region, capturing the summit of Hartmannsweilerkopf, the Germans vigorously counter-attacked and, according to Berlin, regained a portion of the last position. Some 1200 Germans were made prisoners in the French drive, Paris claims.

Did weather is interfering with operations on most of the western front and official statements indicate little activity in the eastern war theatre. Neither are important developments reported from the Balkans.

Austrian Submarine Captured

A roundabout report from Malta is to the effect that an Austrian submarine has been captured by two torpedo boats, presumably Italian.

Japanese Steamer Sunk

The Japanese steamer Sada Maru is reported to have been sunk in the eastern Mediterranean by a German or an Austrian submarine.

Conqueror of Liege Dead

The death of Gen. von Emmich, the conqueror of Liege, is announced in Berlin.

U. S. Note Received

The second American note to Austria-Hungary on the Ancona case has been delivered, a despatch from Vienna states.

Allied Bombardment

The Turkish official report declares the allied fleet unsuccessfully attempted by a violent bombardment to destroy the stores which the British left behind them in their evacuation of the Suvla Bay and Anzac zones on the Gallipoli peninsula.

Withdrawal Was Disorderly

Berlin has Constantinople advices reiterating that the withdrawal from Gallipoli was disorderly instead of systematic and virtually without losses as the British official statements claim. It being asserted in the Berlin reports that the British even left their sick and wounded behind.

Grants Appeal for Million Men

The British house of commons, after an all night debate, approved the government's demand for one million additional men for the army. Opponents of conscription figured prominently in the discussion.

More British Troops Withdrawn

From German sources comes statements that nearly all the British troops have been withdrawn from the Aegean islands of Imbros, Lemnos and Tenedos, their destination being Saloniki.

British bases for operations in the Balkans.

Edmund Justice Held in Connection With Alleged Conspiracy Against Allies

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Edmund Justice, a night watchman employed by the Atlas Steamship company, a subsidiary of the Hamburg-American line, was arrested by federal officers this afternoon charged with being a party to the conspiracy directed from this country against the entente allies by Paul Koenig and other alleged German agents.

Justice was taken into custody at his home in South Brooklyn and with his arrest the authorities believe they have found the "missing link" in the Koenig case.

It is charged that at Koenig's direction Justice accompanied Frederick Metzler, who also is under arrest, to Quebec and there sought to determine the number of troops being sent to the United Kingdom, what ships they would sail on, together with details of artillery equipment and other supplies being sent abroad.

It is alleged that such activities were part of a military plot directed from the United States and as such violated federal statutes.

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The grand jury in the case of labor's national peace council continued its sitting this afternoon.

VON PAPEN GOES HOME

Recalled Attache Sails—Thanks Friends in U. S.—Glad of Chance to Go to Trenches

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Captain Franz von Papen, Germany's recalled military attache, left New York for Rotterdam today on the steamship Noordam, bearing a safe conduct to Germany from the entente allies. Departing, he issued his final statement to the American people.

"In leaving this country, where I have received so many proofs of kindness and hospitality from Americans and others, I deem it my duty to thank all those who did not permit their friendly personal feelings to be poisoned by the hatred created by the war among the nations."

"My thoughts turn back expressly to those unforgettable days when I had the honor and good fortune to spend some time with the expeditionary force at Vera Cruz, where I learned to admire the splendid soldierly quality and devotion to duty of the United States army."

"Personally speaking, no greater satisfaction could be given to me than the fulfillment of my ardent desire to be called home where soldiers are far more urgently needed than here."

"I leave my post without any feeling of bitterness, because I know too well that when history is once written it will establish our clean records despite all the misrepresentation and calumnies spread broadcast at present."

The New York World which certainly is not open to the suspicion of harboring friendly feeling for my country, stated very fairly, when discussing my recall, now that the matter is settled the fact should be emphasized that the state department made no charges against Capt. von Papen and Capt. Boy-Ed which reflected in slightest degree on their honor as officers. Certain newspapers have made reckless charges which could not be supported by evidence, but the United States government never intimated that it believed these charges to be true."

Attacks Papers

"To this I have nothing to add. After all this war will not be won by the Providence Journal and the Evening Telegram with their hypocritical supporters. It will be decided by the success of the invincible German arms."

"I go home with the unshakable conviction that no efforts, however insistent they may be, will accomplish the fervent wishes of our enemy to enslave our country with this nation. Our neutral relations will and must, on the contrary, inevitably and gradually improve as it becomes clear to every intelligent and clear minded American that Germany is engaged in a fully justifiable and heroic fight for existence and the very life of the nation."

ON ARSON CHARGE

Owner and Manager of Waltham Garage Pleaded Not Guilty in Cambridge Today

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 22.—Daniel L. Tiekton, owner and Charles L. Thomas, general manager of the Auto Bus Co. of Waltham, pleaded not guilty in the superior court here today to indictments that they destroyed the garage of the company by fire on September 21.

DEAN BERNHARDT ILL

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The report that Sarah Bernhardt is dangerously ill is characterized in a Havas despatch from Paris this evening as unfounded.

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U. S. TROOPS AT EL PASO GIVEN ORDERS TO FIRE

Instructed to "Return Vigorously Any Further Deliberate Firing" From Mexico

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—American troops at El Paso, the war department announced today have been given orders to "return vigorously any further deliberate firing" from the Mexican side of the border.

General Pershing in command at El Paso, has reported that the firing which resulted late yesterday in the death of an American car inspector was the deliberate act of a squad of Mexicans who appeared half a mile east of the international bridge.

American troops, the report added, were covering the whole river front. During the rioting in Juarez, the report said, there had been little firing and none towards the American side.

Gen. Avila, who was in charge of the troops in Juarez, ordered several of

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TO BUILD NEW MILL

SHARP MANUFACTURING CO. OF NEW BEDFORD FORCED TO EN- LARGE PLANT

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 22.—Plans for the new mill of the Sharp Manufacturing company which were announced today, include buildings which will duplicate the present factory and storehouse, except that No. 2 plant will be 515 feet long. The original main mill was 500 by 131 feet, four stories high.

The capacity of the new factory will be the same as that of the first mill, 100,000 spindles. The Sharp concern started operations in the summer of 1911 with 10,000 spindles.

KAISER IS ILL

Forced to Postpone His Proposed Trip to the Western Front

BERLIN, Dec. 22 (By wireless to Sayville).—Emperor William has postponed the trip he had planned making to the western front, the Overseas News agency announces, a slight indisposition making it necessary for him to remain indoors for a few days.

The agency's announcement describes the emperor's ailment as "a slight inflammation of the cellular system."

An official message received here today from Berlin describes Emperor William's illness as "a slight inflammation of the cellular or tissue connective tissue, chiefly subcutaneous, but also of that between muscles and viscera or surrounding various organs. It is characterized by the same spreading or atonic character as erysipelas and is circumscribed or diffused. The swelling is marked early by branching lines of lymphangitis. Pain is tense and great, and the affected glands are grave. The disease is often mild in degree and the lymphatic may dissipate of the poison and suppuration fail to occur."

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MET BAD MAN IN LOWELL

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Japanese Steamers Sunk

SADA MARU SENT TO BOTTOM IN THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN YESTERDAY

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SCHOOL POWER PLANT

BEHEVED THAT MUNICIPAL COUNCIL WILL EMPLOY MR. STEVENS TO SUPERVISE CONSTRUCTION

It was stated today that at least three members of the municipal council will vote to give John A. Stevens, consulting engineer, the supervision of the construction of a power plant for the proposed municipal school group in Kirk street. Mr. Stevens wants 7 per cent of the total cost, and \$1500 as a starter to allow him to do the preliminary work, this amount to be deducted later from the seven per cent.

The city council, as was stated in The Sun yesterday, had a conference with Mr. Stevens during a recess in yesterday's council meeting and it was known that commissioners Carnichael and Morse were not willing to give Mr. Stevens the contract. There was some doubt in Commissioner Brown's mind as to whether conditions carrying the heat and electric wires from the power plant to the other buildings across the street could be installed, according to law.

Mr. Stevens says he would not want

to submit any preliminary plans which would later be entered in competition with any other engineer. If he were given the contract he desired to go ahead with it, subject, at all times, of course, to the wishes of the government.

Mr. Stevens called attention to the fact that his office, located in The Sun building, is but a little way from the school and if anything went wrong he would be close at hand and could be called upon at a moment's notice. He said Lowell is his home town and he is proud of it and because of the pride he feels in the city, he said, he would like to be the supervising engineer for the power plant.

"When we take hold of a proposition like this," he said, "we spare no expense. We go right ahead and if there is any little problem confronting us we go to the highest experts and have them settle it. Sometimes we pay such men \$100 a day to determine a point. But we want a done right."

Neither the mayor nor Commissioner Putnam gave any hint as to his feelings relative to the employment of Mr. Stevens, but it is expected that definite action will be taken at the council meeting tomorrow morning.

HOLLY CLUB CONCERT AND DANCE

Don't forget that on Friday next the Holly club will entertain in Associate hall by giving to the pleasure loving public of Lowell a pleasing concert, which will be followed with a dance that will delight every enthusiast who loves to glide over the smooth floor to the bewitching strains of Mink's unsurpassed music. Hear in mind the date: it is next Friday, and the place is Associate hall. Bring along a friend.

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MUNICIPAL JOURNAL SAYS THAT OLD MEN EMPLOYED ON STREETS ARE ENEMIES OF ECONOMY

Men too old or feeble to earn living wages as laborers on private work, says the Municipal Journal are employed in the spring street cleaning as evidenced in many of our cities, and in some are kept on the permanent force used in this and similar work, instead of being helped through a charity department or organization. There is much to be said in favor of assisting such men to be self-supporting, expecting only, in return for the wages paid, such service to the city as they are capable of rendering, rather than lowering their self-respect by making their objects of charity.

We cannot, however, find any arguments in favor of employing an unnecessary number of able-bodied men and taxing on public work the cost of which to the taxpayers is thus considerably increased. In fact, we are convinced that the only reason which could be truthfully given for this practice would be found intimately tied up with politics, and that the un-

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THE SICKABED LADY

On general principles, says Nurse, it is well to avoid extremes of heat and cold. Where there may be even a tendency towards chills, the feet are rendered susceptible to them when subjected to prolonged exposure or heated rooms. Never by any chance wash your feet on a radiator or over a floor radiator. This treatment makes them very sensitive to cold.

When the feet seem half frozen do not immediately thaw them out by placing in hot water or warming them with artificial heat. The change in their temperature must be gradual, made by immersing the feet in lukewarm water and then in cold water.

For sore throat use one teaspoon each of salt, sugar and turpentine in a pint of water. Use as a gargle.

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Nurse who is attending a child ill with a contagious disease, should take a walk in the fresh air every day. The best way to arrange this is for her to keep a change of clothing in the next room. If a bathroom has been set aside for quarantine she can use this for a screen and a basin in the sick room will have to answer. Then she can slip into the next room and put on fresh clothing.

She should leave the house by the back way preferably, or, at any rate, avoid coming in contact with any of the occupants of the house. Once in the street she should not use the street cars nor enter any other house and avoid touching anyone as much as possible.

The fumigation of a sick room after a contagious disease is done by the board of health upon request in most cities, or it can be done by the family under directions of the physician.

Nurse has discovered that nausea can be prevented following an anesthetic by the application to the nostrils of the patient of a pleasant perfume, preferably oil of bitter orange peel, as soon as the ether or chloroform is discontinued. She elevates the patient's head a little and turns it to her side, fastening a little adhesive plaster to the tip of the nose and saturating this with cologne.

If ever in the clutches of a severe cold where an active yet unstimulating medicine is required, it will be found that by mixing together the yolk of one egg, one tablespoon of olive oil and one teaspoon of grated ginger root, and taking all of the mixture at one dose, the conditions of a cure will be met.

Relaxing exercises for insomnia are recommended by Nurse to follow the exercises given herewith: Before retiring stand erect and clasp the hands behind the head with the palms as if you were supporting or pulling it up and forward. Resist the tension of the muscles of the arms and hands with those of the neck, pulling back with the weight of the head and the tension of the neck muscles. Now walk backward and forward in this position until you begin to weary.

Upon retiring practise this exercise: Lie on the right side with the right hand beneath the right cheek. Now draw the left knee up to the chest and hold it there by passing the left arm underneath the knee in such a manner that the point of the hand lies flat upon the bed. Lie in this attitude for five or ten minutes and you will experience such relief upon releasing the pose that you will fall asleep at once.

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LICENSE COMMISSION MEET

The license commission held its regular meeting last evening and granted these licenses: To sell ice cream, confectionery, soda water and fruit on the town's day, George B. Bounakas, 352 Moody street, and Harry E. Hudson, 320 Lawrence street, common victuallers. Stavros Biazakas, 824 Market st., and George G. Douglas, 75 Gorbam st., auctioneers. George F. Stiles, 215 Eldrich building. Cancellations on the application of Eva Lebanc, 352 Moody street, to sell ice cream, etc.; Arthur Walton, 330 Lawrence street, ice cream, etc.; also the common victualler license of Stavros J. Biazakas, 605 Market st. The driver's permit exercised by George Bounakas, to deliver but not to sell intoxicating liquors for E. Brady & Co., as surrendered, was ordered cancelled.

It is the blocking of their efforts to secure efficiency and economy by such acts as described which has disgusted capable men with public service and made it almost impossible to obtain such men as heads of departments. And it is most fortunate for the future of our cities that, whereas such instances as the above were the rule a generation ago, they are now the exception.

DEMANDED HIS MONEY

BRAKEMAN HELD UP AND ROBBED OF \$125 BY TWO MEN—FUGITIVE BELL FOLD RETURNED TO HIM

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A four weeks' old baby was abandoned on the steps of the Y.M.C.A. building on Starkpole street between 10 and 11 o'clock last evening. She was found lying in a corner by members of the Institute who were leaving for their homes. The police were notified and Patrolman John J. Sullivan was dispatched to care for the child. He had her wrapped warmly and removed to St. John's hospital, where it was found she was in good health. The child was dressed comfortably in a white dress and coat and a silk bon-

net. She was later taken to the Chelmsford street hospital in the ambulance, where she is now being cared for. The police are attempting to learn the identity of the parents.

NOT TO BUY GERMAN LINERS
LONDON, Dec. 22.—Rumors which have been current for several days to the effect that the Swedish-American line was to buy two Hamburg-American liners, appears to have been dispensed of by a despatch from Stockholm to Reuters Telegram Co.

This message says that the newspaper Aftonbladet has published a statement from the Swedish-American company that the report is without foundation and that no purchase of German liners could be considered before the end of the war.

Although she is past 73 years of age, Mrs. M. E. Jehu, of Easterville, Iowa, is an enthusiastic automobilist and drives her own car regularly.

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Boys' Rubber Boots, with high top; something every boy wants—
Sizes 8 to 13 and 1 to 2, at.....\$1.98 Pair
Sizes 3 to 6 for big boys, at.....\$2.49 Pair

Boys' Slippers, in tan leather, with sewed bottom, very flexible, a good trade; all sizes, 8 to 13½ and 1 to 2, at.....75c Pair

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Women's Felt Slippers, in all the wanted colors, some have leather soles with ribbon or fur trimmed, others have soft elk soles that are very popular; all sizes 3 to 8; regular prices \$1.25 and \$1.50, at.....98c Pair

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Misses' and Children's Red Felt Juliettes, with fur trimming—
Sizes 3 to 8 at.....49c Pair
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POCAHONTAS STATUETTE, GIFT TO MRS. WILSON



POCAHONTAS STATUETTE, GIFT TO PRESIDENT'S BRIDE

This bronze statuette of Pocahontas, the famous Indian girl who lives in more or less well authenticated history or tradition as the savior of Captain John Smith, is a wedding gift from the Pocahontas Memorial association to President Wilson's bride. She is a descendant of Pocahontas and thus peculiar appropriateness is given to the gift.

DYESTUFFS SHORTAGE TO QUASH INDICTMENTS

GREAT BRITAIN AGREES TO PERMIT SHIPMENT OF LOGWOOD TO THE UNITED STATES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—In notifying the state department that Great Britain would permit the immediate shipment of 4700 tons of logwood for dyestuffs from Jamaica to the United States, the British embassy has indicated that the shortage of the extract of logwood to Canada must be relieved as a condition of the embargo's modification. In addition it appears that there is contemplated a much larger movement of this important dye base under certain restrictions.

It is hoped that the shortage of dyestuffs in Great Britain will shortly be met, when the issue of licenses in Jamaica will be resumed, provided that reasonable margin is left in the island for any emergencies that may arise. A note from Sir Edward Grey, transmitted today to the state department.

AGAINST MEN ACCUSED OF USING MAILS TO INCITE ARSON AND ASSASSINATION

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—Motions to quash the indictments against Baron George Wilhelm von Brincken, attaché of the local German consulate; C. C. Crowley, detective employed by German Consul-General Franz Bopp, and Mrs. Margaret Cornell, a detective employed by Crowley, are expected to be made when the three are arraigned today before U. S. District Judge Doubling on charges of using the mails to incite arson and assassination.

The three defendants were indicted in the course of the federal grand jury's investigation of alleged German plots to dynamite ships and munition plants and destroy foreign commerce, in violation of the neutrality laws. United States District Attorney Preston stated that he was ready to proceed with the trials immediately.

MAY NOT BE PARDONED

STRIPPLING WHO ESCAPED DOING LIFE TERM AND BECAME POLICE CHIEF STILL IN JAIL

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 22.—Thomas Edgar Stripling, who was sentenced to life imprisonment in 1897, escaped from jail and during his 14 years of freedom became chief of police of Danville, Va., probably will not receive his expected Christmas pardon from Gov. Harris. He has been in prison in Georgia since his identity was discovered in 1911. Gov. Harris said last July that he would free Stripling and intimated he would do it before this Christmas, but the records in the case are in the hands of the prison commission and have not been turned over to Gov. Harris.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Brooklyn has a successful woman butcher.

Aviation is the latest fad of the young society girls of Oakland, Cal. A Russian girl of 25 who finds herself unmarried is considered disgraced. Girl students of Bryn Mawr college have taken up soccer football as a fad. Miss Helen Miller, of Philadelphia, at the age of 15 is the author of ten plays.

Queen Elizabeth, of Rumania, better known as "Carmen Sylva," is now 72 years of age.

Of the 32 bureau officials in the federal bureau of education, eleven are women. Twenty-four of the 622 colleges in the United States are presided over by women.

There is very little difference between the minds of men and the minds of women.

THE SUN
IS ON SALE
AT THE
NORTH STATION
BOSTON

A New One FOR THE BOYS



CHOICE OF OUR \$1.00
AND \$1.50

Indian Suits
65c

Macartney's
APPAREL SHOP
72 Merrimack Street.

BLOODLESS BUT MOIST BATTLE BETWEEN NURSES AND WOUNDED AUSTRALIANS IN ENGLAND



WOUNDED AUSTRALIANS AND NURSES IN SNOW FIGHT

Wounded Australian soldiers, brought back to England for recuperation, enjoyed their first snowball fight at Harefield park. They declared war on the nurses, who offered a strong defense, and a big battle developed. The Australians bombarded the nurses as vigorously as they did the Turks, but in this case there were no casualties to record on either side. Snow of course is not a novelty to many Australians, as snowstorms are common in the mountains and other regions of the island continent in June, July and August, the Australian winter.

SENT TO DARDANELLES 1200 GERMANS CAPTURED

Gen. Murray Appointed British Commander, to Succeed Sir Charles Monro

LONDON, Dec. 22, 5 p. m.—Ident. Gen. Sir Archibald Murray has been appointed to succeed Sir Charles Monro, as British commander at the Dardanelles, says an official statement issued this afternoon.

DAMAGE BY EXPLOSION

POWDER FACTORY AND SEVERAL AMMUNITION DEPOTS BLOWN UP

LONDON, Dec. 22, 4.25 p. m.—According to advices to the Amsterdam Telegraph forwarded by Reuters's correspondent, a powder factory and several ammunition depots at Muenster, Westphalia, have been blown up. Great damage was done to the town, the newspaper adds.

PANIC IN SALONIKI

BERLIN, Dec. 22 (By wireless to Sayville).—The Overseas News agency says: "Private reports from Saloniki indicate that a condition of panic reigns there. The Greeks are hostile to the English, who behave arrogantly. The French and British are on bad terms. Nearly 50 members of the Serbian parliament are living in a hotel there. They have formed a provisional parliament and play cards during the night, while Serbian refugees are starving in the streets. The people of Saloniki are anxiously awaiting liberation by the central powers."

MARRIAGE INTENTIONS

The following marriage intentions have been recorded at the city clerk's office since the last were published: Vasilios Haritos, 24, operative, 1 rear 156 Suffolk street, and Kirana Kouran, 23, weaver, 641 Market street.

Albert E. Wahlgren, 21, moulder, 10 Montreal street, and Florence S. Scarlett 21, winder, Draught, Mass. Manuel Couto Pitta, operative, 144 Tilden street, and Maria Isabel Fernandes, 20, operative, 63 Hanover st. John J. Foley, 25, business manager, 65 Cosgrove street, and Elizabeth C. Mone, 21, at home, 78 Cosgrove street. John F. A. Taylor, 32 (widowed), box maker, 43 Hildreth street, and Mildred Ethel Northrop, 21, at home, same address. William A. Higgins, 27, foreman, 195 South, and Josephine P. Manghan, 24, music teacher, same address. Thomas Goff, 26, machinist, 18 Appleton street, and Julia Lowney, 23, hosiery, 10 Cross street. Harry Coombs, 28, clerk, Sargentville, Maine, and Vera R. McCardle, 28, at home, 21 Parkview avenue. Manuel Pestana, Jr., 22, operative, 22 Webster street, and Maria da Conceicao Cordeiro, 15, operative, 29 Chapel street. Godias Eugene, 17, weaver, 71 Ford street, and Marie B. Y. Bouthillier, 16, winder, 8 Ford street. Arthur E. Strand, 26, carpenter, 63 Brookings street, and Clara Jones, 28, weaver, same address.

PARIS ANNOUNCES SUCCESS FOR FRENCH AT HARTMANNS-WEIL-ERKOPF

PARIS, Dec. 22.—Announcement was made by the war office today that 1200 Germans had been captured in the operations at Hartmanns-Weilerkopf, which have enlarged the French positions to an appreciable extent. The statement follows:

"There were few events of importance last night. In the Vosges the attack delivered yesterday by our troops made it possible for us to enlarge appreciably our positions on the east slope of Hartmanns-Weilerkopf. The number of Germans made prisoner is now 1200 of whom 21 are officers. They belong to six different regiments."

RECAPTURED BY GERMANS

BERLIN, Dec. 22, via London.—A part of the German position on the summit of Hartmanns-Weilerkopf in the Vosges, that was captured by the French yesterday has been recaptured by German troops. It was officially announced by German army headquarters today.

COL. HOUSE'S TRIP

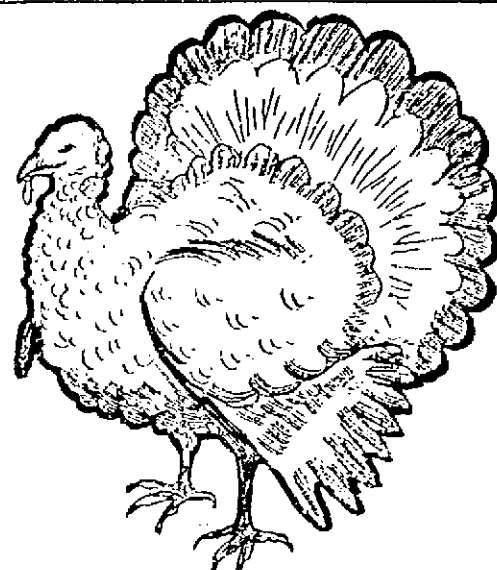
Will Dismiss Views of the United States and Attempt to Get Public Opinion of Places Visited

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Authoritative explanation of the purpose of Col. M. House's trip to Europe at the request of President Wilson and Secretary Lansing, obtained here today, discloses that Col. House will dispense the views of the United States on general international questions and will attempt to determine the state of official and public opinion in the various countries he will visit.

TEA AND BUTTER FIRM FAILS

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—The Mills Tea & Butter Co., which operates a chain of 30 small stores in various New England cities and towns, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the United States district court here today. The

FLYNN'S MARKET



YOUR CHRISTMAS DINNER

IS WAITING FOR YOU AT A VERY LOW COST

TURKEYS

6 Pound Turkeys, lb.	25c
8 Pound Turkeys, lb.	25c
10 Pound Turkeys, lb.	25c
12 Pound Turkeys, lb.	25c
14 Pound Turkeys, lb.	25c
16 Pound Turkeys, lb.	25c

Note—One price—no higher, no lower. We have no cheap poultry. It costs only 20c or 30c more to get a good turkey.

CHICKENS

All chickens bought at this market are true to name.

CHICKENS TO ROAST

6 to 8 Pounds, lb.	25c
4 to 6 Pounds, lb.	22c
Small Chickens, lb.	16c
Cut Up Chicken, lb.	16c

FOWL

Our Fowl are from the Flynn farm and are very meaty.

Large Fowl, lb.	22c
Small Fowl, lb.	18c
Cut Up Fowl, lb.	16c
Pure White Geese, lb.	22c
Large Ducks, lb.	20c
Large Bunch Celery	12c
No. 1 Baldwin Apples, pk.	30c
New Onions, 1-2 pk.	15c
Best Large Cranberries, qt.	10c
Florida Oranges, doz.	16c
Candy, the latest kind, lb.	12c
New Nuts, all kinds, lb.	15c
Potatoes, 2 pk. limit, pk.	24c
Sugar, 10 lb. limit, lb.	6c

SPECIAL

Small Roast Pork, lb.	13c
Legs Spring Lamb, lb.	16c

Come early. Come late. We are always here to serve you well. Phone 4693.

PLENTY OF CHRISTMAS TREES AND WREATHS FOR EVERYBODY

Liabilities are placed at \$120,000 and assets at \$50,000. There are about one hundred unsecured creditors.

SEIZED BY GERMANS

STEAMER ARGO WITH TOOLS FOR RUSSIA TAKEN INTO GERMAN PORT

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The steamship Argo has been taken into a German port by a prize crew, the Exchange Telegraph company's Copenhagen correspondent, says. The Argo put into the Danish port of Aarhus on Monday after having been in collision with a German torpedo boat, which fired several shots in an attempt to stop her. She sailed from Aarhus on the following day. The despatch says two Ger-

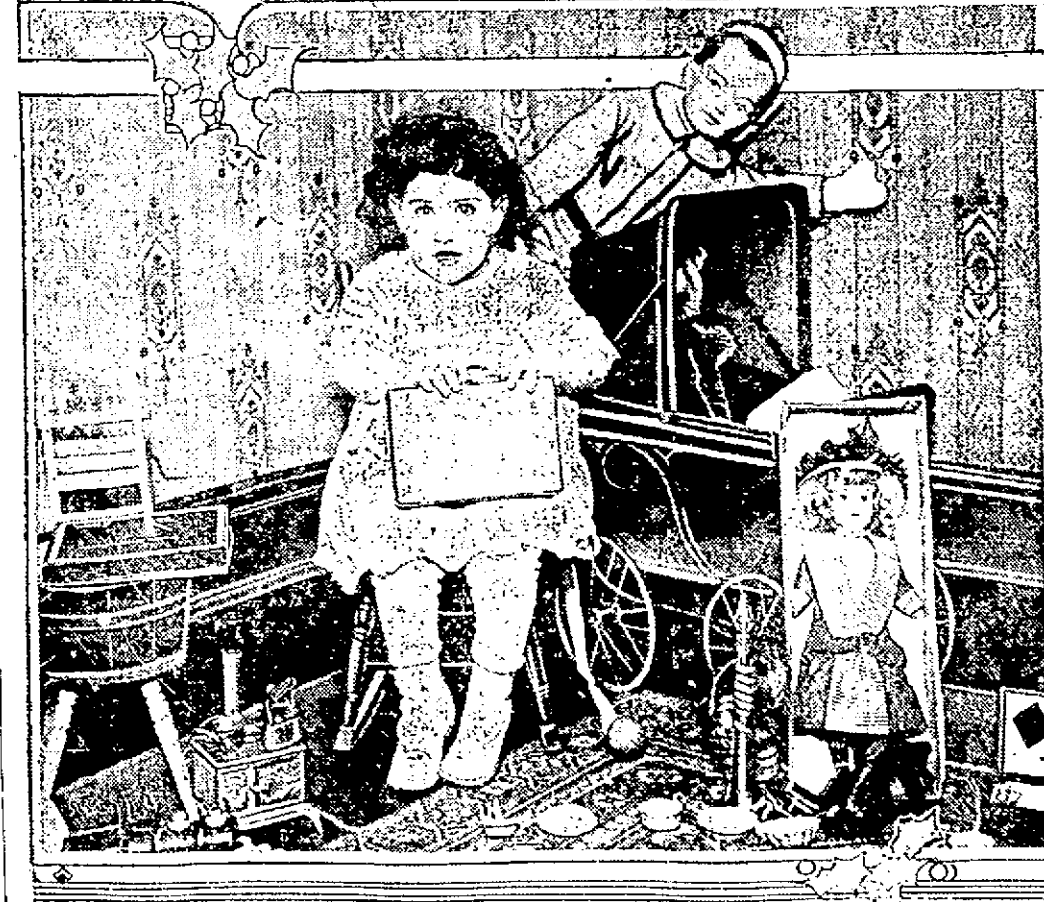
man torpedo boats pursued her into Swedish waters and boarded her declaring her a prize of war. Ten men were left on the Argo to take her to Germany.

The Argo's cargo consists of tools for Russia, manufactured in Denmark. The Swedish government, according to this account, has instructed its minister at Berlin to make an investigation.

ASSASSINATION OF ARCHDUKE

BERLIN, Dec. 22 (By wireless to Sayville).—"According to the Sofia newspaper Dnevnik," says the Overseas News agency today, "the former Bulgarian minister to Serbia, M. Tchaprachokoff, the Bulgarian government holds proof in writing that the Serbian government was a direct accomplice in the assassination of Archduke Francis Ferdinand at Sarajevo. The Bulgarian government, it was stated, will shortly publish the documents."

On Christmas Morning



JOHNSTON'S New Bakery

131 GORHAM ST.

WILL OPEN THURSDAY, DEC. 23

With Full Line of Bakery Goods, Sanitary and Up-to-Date.

Specials For Christmas

Raisin Bread	10c
Scotch Short Cake	10c and 25c
English Plum Pudding	25c

Our Other Stores At

15 East Merrimack St., 467 Lawrence St., Cor Broadway and School Street.

VERY BEST HOWE JUMBO
CRANBERRIES, 3 qts. 25c

SPECIAL XMAS CANDIES

Holiday Mixture, lb.	10c
Xmas Ribbon, lb.	10c
American Mixed, lb.	10c
Assorted Chocolates, lb.	11c
Full Cream Caramels, lb.	29c
Assorted Milk Chocolates, lb.	29c
Holly Mixed Chocolates, box.	23c
Old Fashioned Chocolates, lb.	17c
Assorted Creams, lb.	19c
Fancy Mixed Chocolates, lb.	21c
Butter Scotch Wafers, lb.	12c
American Beauty Chocolates, 1-2 lb. box.	14c
Fancy Boxes, etc.	14c to 50c

23c, 29c, 33c, 45c

FANCY XMAS FIGS

Laver Figs, lb.	15c	Stuffed Figs, box.	23c
Puffed Figs, lb.	17c	Candied Figs, box.	19c
Washed Figs, basket.	23c		

POUND CAKE

Raisin, Nut, Citron, Cherry, Plain, Dark Fruit,	15c
25c value. Lb.	

GRAPEFRUIT

80 count Heavy Floridas	3 for 10c
64 count Heavy Floridas	30 for \$1.00
46 count, Heavy Floridas	4 for 25c

OLIVES

Out of the Big Barrel, qt.	20c
Stuffed Olives, pt.	15c
Stuffed Olives, bot.	10c
Spanish Queen, bot.	23c
Ripe Olives, can.	13c
Ripe Olives, lb.	15c

COCOA

Hershey's Bulk, lb.	17c
Poinsettia, can.	5c
Wan Ets, can.	9c
Lipton's, can.	10c
Hershey's, can.	9c
Reynold's Fudge, can.	12c
Runkel's, can.	12c
Baker's, can.	20c
Bensdorf's, can.	30c

TEAS

Lipton's Ceylon	15c, 30c, 60c
Ridgeway's Orange Label Ceylon	15c, 30c, 60c
Tetley's India and Ceylon	15c, 30c, 60c
Wood's Primrose Orange Pekoe	15c and 25c
Hotel Astor	30c, 15c, 30c
Brooke Bond Tea	25c
Salada Ceylon, 1/2 pks.	15c, 30c
Tudor Tea Ceylon	15c, 30c
Saunders' Special Ceylon, lb.	40c
Mixed Oolong, or Ceylon, lb.	25c

FRUITS IN SEASON

Jonathan Apples, doz.	25c
Roman Beauties, doz.	30c
Banana Pippins, doz.	30c, 40c
Pomegranates	3 for 10c
Emperor Grapes, lb.	7c
Malaga Grapes, lb.	7c
Tangerines, doz.	12c
Peanuts, qt.	6c

COFFEE

La Touraine, lb.	35c
Hotel Astor, lb.	33c
Wood's Gilt Edge, lb.	33c
Hollander, lb.	30c
Kaffee Hag, can.	25c
Saunders' Special, lb.	25c
Echo Brand, lb.	19c
Dinner Blend, lb.	15c
Instant Postum, lb.	28c and 50c
Postum Cereal, lb.	13c and 23c

Pork

Fresh Pigs' Head, lb.	9c
Any Cut From Native Dressed Pigs, lb.	10c to 12 1/2c
Pork to Roast, lb. by strip.	11c
Fresh Hams, lb.	14c

Lamb

Foreigner Spring Lamb, lb. 12 1/2c	
Fancy Yearling Legs, lb.	12c
Yearling Forequarters, lb.	9c
Legs of Mutton, lb.	12 1/2c
Legs So. Down Mutton, lb.	15c

Roast Beef

Fancy Pot Roast, lb.	8c
Fancy Chuck Roast, lb.	10c
Prime Rib, lb.	14c
Boneless Boston Rolled, lb.	14c
Sirloin Boned Rolled, lb.	15c
Best Sirloin Tip, lb.	15c

Steaks

Rump, lb.	25c
Top Round, lb.	22c
Sirloin, lb.	19c
Porter House, lb.	24c
Round—Cut Through, lb.	18c
Tenderloin, lb.	20c

MARYLAND
GEESE 12 1/2c to 20c

FANCY 3 TO 3 1/2 POUND
BROILERS, lb. 22c

CUT UP READY TO FRY
CHICKENS, lb. 16c

FANCY STEWING
FOWL, lb. 16c

WESTERN TURKEYS, 15c to 18c Lb.

FRESH KILLED FANCY NO. 1

Vermont Turkeys
23c to 28c Lb.

POSITIVELY NOT COLD STORAGE.

GENUINE SPRING
LAMB LEGS lb 16c

SWEET PICKLED
SHOULDERS, 10c lb.

FANCY FRESH
SHOULDERS, 10c lb.

FANCY MILK FED
VEAL LEGS 12 1/2c

PASTRY FLOUR, bag 75c | ASPARAGUS, can 23c | GOLDEN GATE THE BEST PEACHES, can 23c | BEN HUR BREAD FLOUR, bag 79c

Boston Market CELERY, 12c
Bunch
New Cleaned CRABAPPLES, 1c
Dried Leghorn CITRUS, lb. 15c
POT-CORN, pks. 15c

Saunders' Market

Solid Meat, Fresh Opened 35c
OYSTERS, qt. 15c
Best SEEDED RAISINS, pks. 9c
Lemon or Orange PEELS, lb. 15c
Net a Seed Raisins, pks. 13c

HEAVY LOSSES

Inflicted on the British
Army in Mesopotamia
Following Retreat

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Comparatively heavy losses have been inflicted on the British army in Mesopotamia in the retreat following the capture of Kut-el-Amara. The retreat of the British to that point, the Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Lord Curzon, announced at the house of commons today that the total of casualties of British troops since the retreat to Kut-el-Amara was 11,700 including 20,000 deaths.

NEW BOSTON PASTOR DEAD
NEW BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 22.—Rev. Henry E. Warren, pastor of the Congregational church here and previous pastor of the First Baptist church, died early today. He was 65 years old.

CALL FOR MILLION MEN

ALL NIGHT DEBATE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS—VOTE AGREED UPON—BLINDERS CAUSE LOSS OF LIFE

LONDON, Dec. 22, 5 1/2 a. m.—The debate in the house of commons on the supplementary estimate of the war expenditure for the raising of one million extra men for the army continued until 5 1/2 o'clock this morning when the house agreed to end the debate. The debate was carried on mostly by the opponents of conscription, and those members who have been conspicuous for criticizing the government on the conduct of the war, and of the small number of members present to preserve a quorum, many were asleep before 1 o'clock, the speaker being punctuated by loud snoring. Sir Arthur Markham complained humorously of these interruptions, asking, at one point, whether a Nationalist member was snoring at him.

Blunders at Headquarters
Sir Henry Dalglish in the course of a speech declared that it had been

demonstrated throughout the debate that there had been an agreement on the part of the government to make a withdrawal of troops from the front.

ANOTHER FOOTBALL VICTIM
PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 22.—(By wire)—A football player in the University of Pittsburgh died late today as the result of a prize suffered in the football game between the University of Pittsburgh and Washington. A Jefferson College two years ago. He was carried off the field and until the time of his death was under care of physicians.

"SMILING BILL" IN CHAIR AGAIN
BOSTON, Dec. 22.—(By wire)—"Smiling Bill" Craft, a well known actor, was in the chair again today for a second time, having been arrested for a second time for a second time for a second time.

A short time ago he was relieved of the supposedly inhuman attack by taking a patent medicine and was able to walk. The case did not last for long, however, and he was again taken to the hospital and died. He has traveled over 200,000 miles.

his wheel chair, and expects to leave for California.

A brother who was afflicted with the same disease, went to Baden-Baden, Germany, where he was cured, and shortly left plans on getting to the United States for treatment following the cessation of hostilities. Craft is at present making his home in Lawrence, Mass., and expects to return to his old home in the near future.

JOE TINKER OUT OF DANGER
CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—(By wire)—Joe Tinker, of the Chicago Federal League, who was told by his physician that he was out of danger, has been able to leave the hospital today.

W. J. TINKER TO PLEASE THE BALL PLAYERS
CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—(By wire)—W. J. Tinker is now father of three boys.

TAFT RETURNS TO CHICAGO
CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—(By wire)—President Taft returned here today from South Bend, Ind., where he was to have made an address last evening, but was prevented by a severe cold.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

CITY HALL NOTES

It is understood that some of the officers who took the recent examinations for lieutenant and captain have been apprised of the result of the examination, but Commissioner Carleton hasn't heard from it yet. He said today that he had sent a written report to the civil service commissioner for a report of the examination.

House cleaning in connection with the municipal exercises on Jan. 3 is being vigorously pushed at city hall. The work is being done under the direction of City Messenger Monahan. Suffice to say that the city hall is being cleaned up.

The skating at Skidport was reported today as being the best ever. There are seven or eight acres of a new skating surface and in order that everything may go along smoothly the park department has arranged for the employment of extra policemen on duty on Christmas day and Sunday.

It was stated today that J. C. Manseau is a candidate for house commissioner. It will be remembered that Manseau was a candidate in 1914 and that he received the votes of Mayor Murphy and Commissioner Morse.

The candidates for Martin Conley's place at the Chestnut Street hospital are Lyle M. Conley, Solomon Mayberry and Walter Powers.

There are candidates for city solicitor.

for other than John J. Farley, but their names have not been spoken "aloud" at city hall.

Not a building permit has been issued at city hall for the last fifteen days, and that's going some. It is one of the longest intervals of idleness, since this time in the history of the department.

City hall employees are getting up a Christmas fund for the family of a former employee who recently passed away. The fund already represents \$100 or more.

Richard Brambrook Walsh, school committee member, has filed his election statement with the city clerk. His expenses as yet report totaled \$88.18.

OVERCOME BY GAS
A woman giving her name as Della Poland was found overcome by gas in her home at 22 Linden street this morning. According to a report given out by the police gas was escaping from a jet in the room in which the woman was sleeping. She was removed in the ambulance to St. John's hospital where she is said to be resting comfortably.

HIS FOOT CRUSHED
Stanley Jark, employed by the Otis Elevator Co., sustained an injury to

his left foot about 11:30 o'clock this forenoon when he was struck by a piece of lumber. He was removed in the ambulance to the Lowell hospital.

SOCIALIST MINORITY CONDEMNED
AMSTERDAM, Dec. 22, via London, 12:55 p. m.—A Berlin dispatch quoted the socialist newspaper Vorwarts as the effect that the action of the socialist minority in the reichstag is voting against the war credit, which is characterized as a breach of discipline, was condemned by the party as a whole, by a vote of 63 to 15.

SHIPPER'S PROTEST
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Representatives of shippers and merchants in New York and adjacent territory protested today to the interstate commerce commission against the railroad proposal to reduce from 50 to 15 days the time allowed for free storage on export shipments.

The reduction is proposed to relieve congested freight conditions at New York.

Women doctors and teachers at Brooklyn find opportunities that have always been closed to them.

Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt has been made honorary vice president of the women's section of the Navy league.

MAYOR GOOD DEFEATED

Rockwood Elected at Cambridge
—Benson Won at Salem—Gale
at North Adams

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 22.—Wendell D. Rockwood was elected mayor of Cambridge yesterday by a plurality of 283, defeating Mayor Good, who sought re-election under the new Plan B charter. The vote was: Rockwood, 635; Good, 612; Brennan, 153; Andrews, 159; and Henderson, 167. Despite the withdrawal of Dr. George E. Sherman, he was given 20 votes.

In the fight for school committee, with one exception the entire Public School association ticket was elected. Those chosen for the three-year term are Charles T. G. McMe and Henry N. Stearns; for two years, John P. Gadsby and Miss Mary H. Winslow; for one year, Mrs. Florence Lee Whitman and Professor J. D. M. Ford.

In the fight for councilors, the democrats won 10 of the 15 places. The successful candidates are: Ward 1, Frank J. Lehan; Ward 2, William M. Hogan; Ward 3, Francis B. Coady; Ward 4, George F. Mullette; Ward 5, Ralph R. Stratton; Ward 6, Thomas G. Delehan; Ward 7, Charles P. Kidder; Ward 8, Charles H. Shea; Ward 9, Harry W. Durand; Ward 10, Charles R. Apter; Ward 11, William J. Lynch.

Those at large are David P. Corcoran, Peter C. Nelligan, Edward J. Murphy and Edward J. Conahan. James J. Casey was chosen assessor.

A NERVE TONIC

In many severe nervous disorders the best remedy is often a tonic. The most active tonic treatment is recommended by the highest medical authority to arrest the progress of such diseases.

It is impossible to reach the nerves directly with medicine. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are a nerve tonic but they act on the nerves through the blood, enabling the blood to carry to the nerves the elements needed to build them up.

Neuralgia, scattered, sick headache and a number of more severe nervous troubles are properly treated by building up the blood with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and are often entirely corrected in this way.

If you are nervous you can help yourself by refusing to worry, by taking proper rest, sleep and vacations, by avoiding excesses and by taking out-of-door exercise. For medicine take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, the non-alcoholic tonic.

Sufferers from nervous disorders who have been taking treatment without benefit should investigate the tonic method. Write today to the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y., for the booklet, "Dis-eases of the Nervous System." It will be sent free on request.

Your own druggist sells Dr. Williams' Pink Pills or they will be sent by mail on receipt of price, fifty cents per box, six boxes for \$2.50.

Owing to the interest in the fight over school committee and the mayoralty contest, the voting was exciting but not much heavier than last year.

Last year the vote for Mayor Good was 637, and Rockwood polled but 79 less. Each candidate lost a few votes to the other; in the ticket this year. This year the total vote cast for mayor was 14,282, 463 more than last year. The greatest interest shown was by the women who came to the polls in large numbers. There had been 5000 of them registered for the school committee fight.

BENSON ELECTED

Chosen Mayor of Salem in Three-Cornered Contest—First Election Under New City Charter

SALEM, Dec. 22.—Henry P. Benson, a member of the firm of A. Emerson & Co., cotton dealers, 853 Atlantic avenue, Boston, and a heavy stockholder in the Naumkeag Steam Cotton company, Salem, was today elected mayor of Salem by a majority of 604.

For the sixth consecutive time the city voted in favor of no-license. The vote was: Yes, 2873; No, 3612. The no-license vote last year was: Yes, 2830; No, 3101.

The vote for mayor was: Benson, 2607; Joseph B. Saunders, 2463, and James D. Burns, 540.

The five councilors elected at large are: The Hon. Rufus D. Adams, former mayor; William O. Sanford, the present director of health; Fred W. Broadhead, former president of the city council; S. Herbert Wilkins and Michael J. Doyle. All the councilors at large have seen service in the government.

The councilors elected by wards are the following: Ward 1, John H. Greeley; Ward 2, John L. Sheehan; Ward 3, J. Arthur Marchand; Ward 4, Michael P. McGrath; Ward 5, Laurence Gibson, and Ward 6, Albert Pierce.

The members of the school committee chosen are the following: For the one year term, the Hon. Alden P. White and Charles P. Ropes; two year term, Lewis J. Bridgman and the Hon. David M. Little, former mayor; three year term, William F. Cass and Horatio P. Pierson.

It was Salem's first election after it had adopted the "Plan B" form of government. The total vote cast was 6693.

GALE IN NORTH ADAMS

Democrat Defeats Mayor Brown—City Goes Wet By a Reduced Margin

NORTH ADAMS, Dec. 22.—Mayor Wallace E. Brown, a republican, was defeated for re-election by his democratic opponent, J. W. Gale, by 88

JAPANESE BOY SCOUTS

MOVEMENT HAS ENLISTED THE ENTHUSIASTIC INTEREST OF THE YOUTHFUL JAPANESE



JAPANESE BOY SCOUTS IN DRILL

The Boy Scout movement, gaining momentum as it spreads around the world, has enlisted the enthusiastic interest of the youthful Japanese. As sons of a military people, they are naturally drawn toward anything which embodies drill and discipline. The picture shows part of a detachment of Japanese boy scouts at a recent drill.

votes yesterday. The republicans, however, elected seven out of eight councilmen. The margin for license was considerably reduced. The vote was: Yes 1741, No 1557. Last year's vote was: Yes 1683, No 1183.

LEOMINSTER STAYS "WET"

H. F. Sawtelle Elected New City's First Mayor By Overwhelming Majority—Big Vote Cast

LEOMINSTER, Dec. 22.—By a vote of 290 to 97, H. F. Sawtelle, for five years chairman of Leominster's board of selectmen, was yesterday elected the city's first mayor, defeating E. B. Richardson, a piano case manufacturer.

At the last town meeting Leominster went for license by 13 votes. This license policy was continued yesterday by a majority of 167, the vote being 1603 to 1136.

Councilors elected were: At-large—W. H. Bayden, J. A. Goodline, J. A. Lovering and W. A. Putnam; Ward 1, R. D. Gould; Ward 2, A. D. Vallee; Ward 3, E. F. Lincoln; Ward 4, J. F. Coburn; Ward 5, H. Mayo.

There were 40 candidates for 14 offices, and in consequence the vote was much larger than at any town meeting. There were 3182 male voters from a registration of 3515, and 318 female voters from a registration of 628.

DEMOS CITY IMMORAL

Mayor of Baltimore Declares Report of Vice Commission Is Scandalous and Untrue

BALTIMORE, Dec. 22.—Mayor J. M. Preston and the board of estimate, the governing board of the city, yesterday protested against the report of the vice commission, alleging bad moral conditions in Baltimore. "No such conditions exist," said the mayor. "As a general picture of Baltimore life, and as a picture of the moral conditions in Baltimore, the report is scandalous and untrue."

Mrs. George W. Lepp, wife of a prominent American living in Paris, has contributed 10,000,000 cigarettes and 240,000 pounds of tobacco to the smokers in the French army. This will give two and one-half cigarettes and several pipefuls of tobacco to every soldier in France.



FOR FORTY WINKS

This pretty negligee is fashioned of much plaited old rose challis, the empire effect being gained by puffed ribbon. Shadow lace, draped to make a bolero and oversleeves, is an attractive feature, while the skull cap is of lace and old rose ribbon. For those who prefer elegance to the warmth of challis, crepe de chine may be used, with mules to match.

DEPOT CASH MARKET

359 MIDDLESEX STREET
Tel. 4448 Rapid Auto Del.

LARGE SHIPMENT OF FRESH KILLED

Vermont Turkeys

Has Arrived

CHOOSE YOURS FROM HERE AND SAVE FROM 3 TO 5 CENTS ON EACH POUND

DON'T BUY UNTIL YOU HAVE INSPECTED THESE TURKEYS. THESE PRICES WILL PREVAIL THE REST OF THIS WEEK



These turkeys are of the same high quality as were those you bought here last Christmas. Large or small, either at 20c or 30c a pound. Each one of these birds is guaranteed to be strictly fresh and will well grace your dinner table on the 25th.

HIGHEST QUALITY BEEF IS LOWER
Sirloin Steak.....18c to 22c
Vein Steak.....22c
Top Round.....25c
Short Rump.....30c
Hamburg Steak, 2 lbs.....25c
Roast Veal.....12 1/2c
Pork to Roast.....12 1/2c
Pork Chops.....13c to 15c
Fresh - Shoulders.....12c

VEGETABLES

Onions, small, lb.....1c
Onions, large, 3 lbs.....10c
Parsnips, lb.....3c
Carrots, lb.....2c

TURKEYS, small, per lb.....20c
10 to 12 pound TURKEYS, per lb.....25c
Extra Fancy TURKEYS, per lb.....30c
Fancy Fresh Killed GEESE, per lb.....22c and 25c
Fancy Fresh Killed DUCK, per lb.....20c and 22c
Large Fresh Killed CHICKENS, per lb.....22c and 25c
BROILERS, from 2 to 4 lbs, per lb.....20c and 22c
FRESH KILLED FOWL, per lb.....20c and 23c

English Walnuts, per lb.....18c
Mixed Nuts, per lb.....15c
Almonds, per lb.....22c
Table Apples, pk.....25c
Oranges, doz.....15c
Oranges, large and sweet, doz.....18c
Fancy Oranges, doz.....22c

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Creamery Butter, lb.....27c
Guaranteed Eggs, doz.....25c
Meadow Grove Eggs, doz.....32c

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THE LADY'S WORKBAG

It is easy to make a stocking box to fit a bureau or chiffonier drawer. Cut up a long pasteboard box such as coats and suits are delivered in to make the stocking box. The partitions which divide the long, narrow box into compartments should be placed at intervals of about five or six inches apart, according to the length of the box. Cover all the pieces of pasteboard with cretonne or cover the sides of the box on the outside with cretonne and the inside with pussy willow silk to match.

Your silk stockings should be kept in this box, each one separate in one of the compartments. This makes it easier to select just the right pair when one is in a hurry, for the various occasions. The modern woman has bronze stockings for bronze slippers, natural

ready pierced by the previous stitch, thus producing a very even line. Double line stitch is exactly what its name implies. It consists merely of two lines of equal length taken at regular intervals. It is used for bands and borders, and is very effective if varied with dots or other motifs between the group of lines. It makes a quickly executed dress trimming.

Closed feather stitch is very closely related to ordinary feather stitch, and is worked between two marked lines. To make, bring the thread up at one side and work from side to side, throwing the thread as in ordinary feather stitch, but taking the stitches along the marked lines on each side, inserting the needle in the hole pierced by the previous stitch. This makes a closed line on each side of the crossed stitches and finally a very dainty little border. In making quilts or comforters, first heat thoroughly the cotton batting, whatever quality is used, and they will

retain their fluffiness and new look much longer.

For winter it is best to have embroidery in white or in rich warm colors that are seen in the full flowers, warm yellows, reds, even pinks, all mixed perhaps with greens, dark browns, and, in fact, brown in all shades. Blues, reminding one of cool waters, greens alone, and blue lavenders, all suggest coolness that is welcome only in warm weather. The violets and pink lavenders have about them a warmth which gives them entrance to the well-thought-out scheme of decoration for winter.

Water lilies add, at least mentally, hardly to one's comfort when the snow is pelted by ice flakes against the windows, but they would be a refreshing glimpse for the eye on a midwinter's day. An embroidery on interior decoration takes all of these small details into consideration, and the result is beauty and appropriateness.

The exquisite needle woman garners her linen with fleecy and embroidery hoops, so that the dainty little wear in her household pieces are more cleverly covered up than most women could manage. But that alone suffices for but a little while.

Always fold the worn towel on top of the pile of better ones, so it will be used often and go to pieces, first. When it is too bad to use, use the towel from each end as the ends do not wear as soon as the middle. These can be elaborately embroidered and quilted. Then cut the ends from the new towels and attach the old borders, joining them with pretentious draw-work or hemstitching. By buying new towels without borders, the old ends can be attached to a longer centre, thus making a bigger towel.

A very simple doll cushion to hang by the side of the dressing case can be quickly made. The head of a tiny Japanese doll is used. Around the head a length of Dresden ribbon is tightly gathered. This is stuffed with lamb's wool and the ribbon is tightly gathered again at the bottom. The doll is suspended by means of a ribbon fastened to the cushion, back of the doll's head. From little cushions make fine Christmas gifts to set on the dresser for fancy pins, and if used for that purpose, the ribbon is gathered around a flat ribbon covered pasteboard disk. The top is then loosely gathered, the cushion is filled, the doll's head slipped into place and the gathering string pulled tightly around its neck.

MRS. ASQUITH WINS SUIT

OBTAINS INJUNCTION AGAINST LONDON PAPER WHICH SHE SAID ACCUSED HER OF DISLOYALTY

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The chancery court yesterday granted Mrs. Herbert H. Asquith, wife of the premier, the injunction for which she asked, to restrain the London Globe from the publication of articles which she alleged are libelous.

At the hearing last week counsel for Mrs. Asquith said she had been accused by the Globe of disloyalty and of association with German prisoners, and had been described as a traitor and a disgrace to her sex.

The only answer made by the London Globe since the hearing last week was an affidavit filed by the manager, to the effect that he knew nothing about the matter.

"There is not a shadow of truth in this libel," said Mrs. Asquith's counsel. "Mrs. Asquith has never been in Donington Hall (in which German prisoners are confined), or had any communication whatever with any of its inmates."

Counsel for the London Globe expressed regret and apologized in behalf of the publishers, attributing the publication of the letters to disorganization resulting from the recent suspension of the paper.

Mrs. Addie F. Howie, of the school of agriculture at the University of Wisconsin, says cows have souls and respond to music when milked.

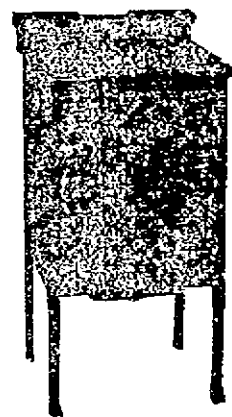
Furniture for the Day of Gladness

Christmas furniture—furniture that will help to spread the spirit of Yule-tide around the home on that glad some day. A hundred and one appropriate pieces are beckoning to you here. Will you heed the call and see them all?

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SEWING TABLES.....	\$9 to \$15	SMOKING TABLES.....	\$2 to \$8

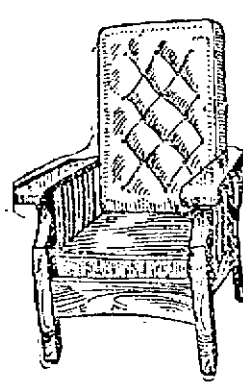
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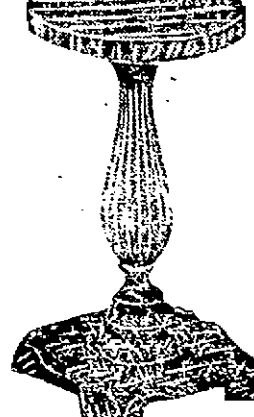
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A Perfect Line of Candy,
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SITUATION WITH AUSTRIA

Principal Topic of Discussion in Diplomatic Circles — Reply to Lansing's Note Awaited

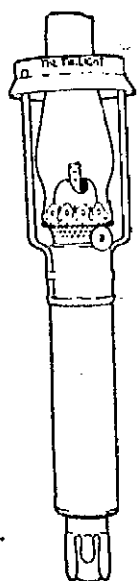
Special to The Sun
WASHINGTON, D. C., December 22.—The question of a possible diplomatic break with Austria has been much discussed here. The content of the Lansing note is made public and we learn how it is regarded by Austria. The result is a matter of mere conjecture. There seems, however, little doubt in the minds of men who keep close tabs on the situation, that a break with Austria means one with Germany also—and that it should not be forced at this moment.

The last official paper signed by the president before leaving the White House for his wedding was the proclamation designating January 1st as a day for making contributions for the American Red Cross society. RICHARDS.

A Last Thought

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STATE PROBE INTO STRIKE

PUBLIC INVESTIGATION OF STRIKE AT CHICOPEE FALLS TO BEGIN WEDNESDAY, DEC. 29

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 22.—The failure of the special agent of the state board of conciliation and arbitration to bring the officials of the New England Westinghouse company and the striking tool makers at the company's "River" plant at Chicopee Falls together for a conference, led the state board to set Wednesday, the 29th as the date of a public investigation in this city of the strike situation.

The refusal of the company to confer with its striking employees has caused a temporary deadlock in the situation, which promises to become more aggravated by the calling of a general strike at the factories in Chicopee Falls and East Springfield.

At a meeting of the employees this evening, it was unanimously voted to place full power in the advisory committee of the employees, giving it authority to call a general strike whenever the emergency arises.

The leaders of the union stated last evening that no immediate steps would be taken to call a general strike. It was intimated that such action will be postponed until after the public investigation. Vice-President L. A. Osborne of the New England Westinghouse company issued an

open letter to the employees of the company last evening in which he stated in vigorous terms that the company would continue "open shop" conditions as a matter of principle.

BOARD OF TRADE

Two Distinguished Speakers Engaged For the Annual Banquet on January 1st

Two other speakers have been secured for the banquet of the members of the Lowell board of trade, which will be held at the Casino on the evening of Jan. 6 and they are Hon. Myron T. Herrick of Cleveland, O., ex-ambassador to Paris, France, and Hon. Theodore B. Burton of Ohio, a former U. S. senator.

Mr. Herrick is noted to be one of the best orators in the country, and no doubt will greatly interest his listeners. He has been the United States representative at Paris for some time and shortly after the outbreak of the European war he returned to this country, but not before having made an excellent record of efficiency. Mr. Burton is also a speaker of high reputation, and it is fair to assume that with the other two speakers, John H. Fahy, president of the chamber of commerce of the United States, and Dr. Hamilton W. Mabie of New York, the members of the board of trade will be given a real literary treat.

Mrs. Harold Almert, of Chicago, national woman champion trophopshooter, is the mother of two children.

MIKE DORIZAS, PENN'S STRONG MAN, IS GOING AFTER STRENGTH RECORD



DORIZAS

Mike Dorizas, Penn's strong man, will be better than I have been in the past. This is my last chance at the other boost as soon as his hand hurt, come along and do better. It may be some little fellow I will teach in school. "I did 1,200 in an unofficial trial, and I don't think even this is the best I can do," said Dorizas recently. "I am stronger than I was two years ago, and I know something about the tricks of setting the most out of one's weight."

My aim is 2,000. That's a pretty high mark, but not only am I stronger, after a week or so on the mat I strong man, took.

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Every article in our stock is carefully selected with a view to pleasing the most particular and discriminating smoker. We carry all of the popular brands and mention here a few of the best sellers.

25 Royal Sovereign "Invincibles".....	\$2.25	25 La Marca Regalia.....	\$1.25	25 Blendwell In cedar-lined box	\$1.00
25 Black & White Four sizes.....	\$1.25	25 M. C. A. "Londres".....	\$1.65	25 7-20-4 "Londres".....	\$1.65
25 Yankee Consul "Juniors".....	85c	25 San Souci "Superiors".....	\$1.50	10 Flor de Murat "Special".....	\$1.00
25 Flor de Murat "Navarre".....	\$2.25	25 Official Seal "Perfectos".....	\$1.25	25 Flor de Murat "Frontenac".....	\$2.75
10 La Providencia "Factory Smokers".....	60c	25 The Major "Perfectos".....	\$1.75	25 Pippins "Londres".....	\$1.00
25 Lady Curzon "Invincibles".....	\$2.00	25 Blackstone "Londres".....	\$1.65	25 Yankee Consul "Perfectos".....	\$1.50

Buy Him a Large Christmas Humidor Jar of Tuxedo Tobacco.

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Cigar Cutters
Calabash Pipes

The Rexall Stores

MEXICAN SITUATION

Continued

the plotter shot, according to a military report, from the border.

A state department agent at El Paso reported that the American car inspector was killed by an irresponsible soldier, who was afterward killed by his own men.

VILLA NOT WITH TROOPS

One Thousand Villa Soldiers Have Just Arrived in Juarez—Several Killed in El Paso

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 22.—The El Paso police department early today received a report that 1000 Villa troops had just arrived in Juarez from the south and that 5000 more were within a short distance of the town. The name of the commander was not mentioned, but it was said Gen. Villa is not with the party. The arrival of the troops revived the report that the arrangement to surrender has fallen through and that the town would not be turned over to the Carranza government.

Villa soldiers in Juarez, who, clamoring for their wages, broke from military control yesterday and enacted scenes of disorder, which resulted in the killing of the American side of George A. Diaper, an American trainman, and of several Mexicans in Juarez, early today, were still unpaid. The money, however, is on deposit in El Paso, awaiting the appointment by the Mexican authorities of an authorized paymaster.

Gen. Villa, whose whereabouts during the last few days has been a mystery, last night was reported from Rancagua, 70 miles south of Juarez, approaching the border.

Street car service between El Paso and Juarez, which was suspended last night, was resumed today, but Americans are prohibited by the military authorities on the American side from crossing.

Representatives here of the Pearson syndicate have been advised that Roy H. Ward, manager of their Mexicana, Chihuahua properties, and 29 American employees, held prisoners by Villa for two weeks, have been liberated and are en route to the United States.

Nothing further of the reported troop movement against Juarez had been received here early this morning.

AMERICANS RELEASED

Yction Was Condition Imposed Upon Villa in Granting Him Permission to Cross Border

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The release of the 30 Americans detained at Chihuahua by Gen. Villa, it became known today, was a condition imposed on Villa in granting him permission to cross the American boundary line. Advice that the Americans had been liberated strengthened the state department's belief that Villa intends to avail himself of the opportunity to escape from Mexico.

Nothing definite regarding Villa's whereabouts had been reported to the department today.

VILLA'S STATEMENT

Told Wife That He Would Never Come to the United States, Where They Hate Him

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 22.—Gen. Francisco Villa's last words to his wife over two weeks ago, as he bade her good-bye in Chihuahua City were: "I shall never go to the United States. I would die sooner than go to the United States, where they hate me."

me. I shall spend the remainder of my life in my home mountains with my faithful friends where my enemies cannot reach me."

Mrs. Villa made this statement here last night while en route to New Orleans.

WOOL ON WAY TO HUB

OVER \$15,000,000 WORTH COMING TO BOSTON FROM AUSTRALIA, ARGENTINA AND SO. AFRICA

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—More than \$15,000,000 worth of wool is now on the way to this port from Australia, Argentina and South Africa. Boston wool importers have been heavy buyers in the great foreign wool markets and special steamers have been chartered to bring forward the immense amount of staple.

The steamer Norman Monarch, which left Melbourne Nov. 18, and is expected to arrive here Jan. 18, is bringing 22,000 bales, worth \$1,300,000. In all there are 17 steamers with wool cargoes now on the way. From Australia, in addition to the Norman Monarch, there are now on the way the steamers Karema, City of Sparta, Dongara, and Suruga.

The South Africa fleet comprises the Royal Order Knight, Belgica, Prince and Gordon Castle, while the steamers from Argentina are the City of Delhi, Hesperides, Hyperia, Hostilia, Sark, Hesperides, Atlantic and Lewis K. Thurlow. The freighters from South America are also bringing general cargo in addition to the wool.

The opening of the Panama canal to navigation has delayed most of the steamers from Australia, and it was planned to send them through the canal and thus save nearly 5000 miles on the long passage. Consignees have been impatiently awaiting their consignments, and some of the wool is urgently needed to fill orders from the manufacturers.

In addition to the steamers bound here direct from the wool producing countries, heavy shipments are constantly being received by steamers from Liverpool and London.

Boston is maintaining her position as the country's greatest wool center.

TURKISH WAR REPORT

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 22, via London.—The Turkish war office has given out the following statement:

"There was local fighting on the Irak front (in Mesopotamia) at Kut-el-Amara."

"A hostile attack against the tenth sector on the Caucasus front was repulsed."

"On the Dardanelles front hostile ships violently bombarded until late in the evening different camps in order to destroy the booty abandoned by the enemy. The bombardment failed to achieve its purpose. Hostile attacks at Seddul Bahr repeatedly were repulsed."

"The booty abandoned by the enemy," referred to in the above statement, is the war material which the Turks claim the British forces left behind in their withdrawal from the northern coast of the Gallipoli peninsula.

"The counting of the war material and military equipment left behind by the enemy at Ari Burnu and Anafarta has not yet been completed. Among the booty near Ari Burnu were two heavy guns, one Schneider field gun, a great quantity of ammunition, especially cartridges, rifles, a great number of mules, ammunition carts, and tents filled with provisions, and telephone material."

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FRESH KILLED Vermont Turkeys, 24c and 28c lb.
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FRESH KILLED DUCKS 22c
BOSTON MARKET CELERY 15c
LARGE HEADS OF LETTUCE 5c
SWEET FLORIDA ORANGES 13c
SWEET FLORIDA ORANGES, EXTRA LARGE 25c
LARGE GRAPEFRUIT 4 for 25c
CANDIED LEMON AND CITRON PEEL, lb. 20c
CANDIED CITRON, lb. 20c
ENGLISH WALNUTS, lb. 18c
FANCY LARGE PRUNES, lb. 13c
FANCY LARGE APRICOTS, lb. 15c
FANCY CREAMERY BUTTER, lb. 28c and 30c
BEST OLEOMARGARINE, lb. 18c and up
VERY GOOD EGGS, doz. 25c and 28c

INDUSTRIAL AND STORE NEWS

The Painters' union will meet tomorrow night in Carpenters' hall. Business of considerable importance will come up for transaction and a number of important committees will report. Officers for the ensuing term will also be elected at this session. President George Fifield will preside.

New Textile Organization

On January 13 a meeting will be held in Boston for the purpose of organizing the textile operatives of New England into a new labor organization, which will be for the protection of the workers of the industry. Until a few months ago all the large textile unions in New England were affiliated with the United Textile Workers of America. The United Textile Workers claimed a membership of over 20,000 members.

Moulders' Meeting

The moulders who walked out on strike at the Saco-Lowell shops last Tuesday and the coremakers who struck in sympathy held a meeting this morning in Trades & Labor hall, Middle street. Routine business was transacted and the strike committee reported no change in the situation. Several of the members made short addresses.

Barbers' Elect Officers

Barbers' union, local 323 held a meeting last evening in the Middle street headquarters at which election of officers for the ensuing term took

place. The following were elected: George Mansett, president; Joseph Perrin, vice-president; Edward Deslandes, recording secretary; Ovia Pettit, treasurer; Henry Savard, guard; Joseph Comau, guardian; trustees: J. Anderson, and George Stowell. A large amount of important business was transacted and three new applications for membership were received.

Leather Workers' Election

The Lowell Leather Workers' union elected the following officers at its meeting held last night: Charles Shanley, president; Joseph Labelle, Jr., vice president; Charles Gendreau, financial secretary; William Brennan, recording secretary; Thomas McFadden, treasurer; board of trustees: James Donnelly, and Benjamin Williston. Following the installation of officers a smoke talk and entertainment were enjoyed. The following contributed to the musical program: John Ball, James Tumulty, Richard Carlin, Fred Little, James E. Donnelly, Frank Merritt, Joseph Coleman, Leo Shes, Edward Rogers, James Dillon, Thomas O'Loughlin, John Devlin, Oddie Miron, William Reardon, Charles Gendreau, James Daley and Frank Warnock. The committee in charge of the arrangements for the affair was as follows: Charles Shanley, Christopher Moran, Thomas McFadden, John Feeley, Benjamin Williston and James Donnelly the retiring president.

WANT WOMAN JUDGE

THIRTY WOMEN LAWYERS OF CHICAGO FORM PUBLIC DEFENDERS LEAGUE FOR GIRLS

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Thirty women lawyers of Chicago have formed the Public Defenders League for Girls, it was announced today for the purpose of preventing any girl from being sent to jail for a first offense, consequently, to become the prey of professional bondsmen.

Members of the league will ask Chief Justice Olson of the municipal court to create a special girls' court and appoint a woman as judge.

REPORTS SEEKING U. S. BARK

DURBAN, Africa, Dec. 22.—The British steamer City of Baroda, from New York and St. Vincent, C. V., to Vladivostok, arrived here today and reported having spoken to the American bark Ruth Stark on Dec. 5, in latitude 6.59 north, longitude 15.19 west, dismasted. The Ruth Stark sailed from Boston Oct. 17 for Sekondi, Africa.

NO TURKEY FOR TROOPS AT HAITI

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 22.—The transport Prairie, which was to have sailed from here yesterday with 100,000 pounds of turkey and 500 bushels of cranberries for the 3000 sailors and marines stationed in Haiti will not get away until Thursday or later because of a broken topmast and consequently will not reach Haiti until after Christmas.

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\$3.00 Dull Brass Smoking Trays.....	\$1.98	SOFA PILLOWS - - 39c
\$5.00 Dull Brass Smoking Stands.....	\$3.99	SLEDS - - 50c to \$3.50
\$3.00 Bright Brass Costumers.....	\$1.75	GERMAN DRESSED UP DOLLS, Worth \$1.25, for 98c
\$6.00 Dull Brass Costumers.....	\$4.75	Everything in Furniture for Serviceable Gifts

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AUTOMOBILE NEWS

GIFTS FOR THE AUTOISTS

MANY CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS IN THE NUMEROUS LOCAL SUPPLY STORES

The first of the year a headlight law regulating the lights of an automobile upon the roads of this state will go into effect. This law is responsible for considerable worry to all autoists, owing to its requirements. Joseph McGarry of the Boston Auto Supply, in his advertisement today, announces a dealer which he claims has the approval of the state highway commission. One entering the Boston Auto Supply, Bridge street, will find many articles in the line of auto accessories which make ideal Christmas gifts for an autoist. Among these can be mentioned radiator robes, tires, tubes and horns.

V. A. French of the French Auto Service is in a position to accommodate parties who expect to visit friends out of town or who intend to take a trip during the holidays.

Mr. Rochette of the Lowell Motor Mart makes another clever suggestion as to the way in which one may give a friend a Dodge Brothers motor car. Upon the payment of one hundred dollars, a gift certificate will be issued. The car will be delivered in the spring upon the payment of the balance in monthly payments. Mr. Rochette, in his advertisement in this issue of The Sun explains this convenient plan in full detail. Many useful Christmas gifts in the line of auto accessories can be purchased at the Lowell Motor Mart.

Geo. R. Dana has something to say in an advertisement on this page of this paper regarding the put and stay put of the Cadillac "Eight" and while this should interest the average per-

son more than the car's speed qualities, yet Mr. Dana says there appears to be a streak of human nature in many of us which likes to know we own a car not only with all the desired every day qualities, but which has the real "pep" slumbering in its mechanism.

Recent advice from Mr. Claud Nolan, the Cadillac representative at Jacksonville, Fla., tells of a Cadillac "Eight," guided by an amateur, having attained a speed of 93.2 miles per hour on the beach there. The car was driven over the course by several individuals at better than 50 miles per hour. Mr. Leonard of the Nolan organization drove it a measured mile in 37.4 seconds.

Recently a roadster owned by a young lady in Boston was tested out by a novice for "getaway" with the result that the car was sent from a standing start to 50 miles per hour in 20.1 seconds, and in the hands of the father of the owner, from a standing start to 55 miles per hour in 25 seconds.

brication: We must regularly provide an uncontaminated lubricant, must get it to its destination, and then we must guard the oil-film from contamination. The former depends on the personal equation of the driver's temperament; the latter, on suitable design. Every joint of the steering mechanism, every moving part, should be oiled, packed in grease for an airtight protector as well as for an efficient metal cover or leather boot. Only by such means can lubricants be retained and deleterious substances excluded.

And then, more or less frequent inspection of parts alone will detect the dangerous loosened nut or bolt, the coy oil leak, or the bent tie rod. Even so, wear does occur, as will show in undue movement in steering wheel or other parts, but there are provisions made for their adjustment. Utilize these.

Then, such is the perfection of modern cars, so implicitly may you trust your steering mechanism, as rarely to forget it until time for another grooming.

The steering mechanism of the modern automobile should at all times be kept well greased and free from unnecessary play. All grease cups should be kept filled and given a turn or two every day.

The case containing the worm and gear should be filled with a lubricant every week. The front tires should always be properly inflated so that no excess strain occurs to bend or wear the parts.

Once a month the leather covers on the ball and socket joints should be removed, and the sockets taken apart and cleaned with gasoline or kerosene, then repacked with grease. The ball should be cleaned and carefully adjusted in the socket. The leather should be oiled and tightly laced over the joints. All the bolts, pins, etc. should be inspected, and if worn should be replaced.

If the above instructions are carried out you will be doing all you can in view to your safety and the safety of others, and you will also add to the steering quality of your car.

The trend of the majority of the modern automobile manufacturers is to evolve a type of motor practically noiseless and highly efficient, but it cannot be expected to remain so unless the owner gives the car proper attention.

It is the common experience that valves, in the course of time, become noisy. Frequent and proper timing, together with proper lubrication, will reduce the noise to a minimum. It has been the experience of many that the noise of the click caused by the two sections of the push rod striking together is eliminated by placing a piece of fibrous material on either point of contact.

It is well to examine your bearings and wrist pin bushings at regular intervals. If knocks are discovered in the former you should either tighten them up or refit them. If discovered in the latter the only alternative is to have them replaced.

Carbon, amongst other evils, creates knocks in the motor. The collection of this evil can be minimized by properly regulating your oil supply and carburetor adjustments. When the piston rings become worn they permit an excessive amount of oil into the explosion chamber, which causes carbon to collect. The worn rings should be replaced at once. An accumulation of carbon can be removed to a certain extent by inserting in each cylinder while warm, a quarter of a ten-cent cake of gum camphor or a tablespoon full of kerosene and letting the motor stand idle a day.

SAFEGUARDING ROADS

Government Engineers Give Good Advice as to Care of Highways—When to Use the Drag

Water, not cold, is the cause of the deterioration of roads in winter. Cold weather does not in itself injure roads, no matter whether they are earth, gravel or macadam. In fact, an earth road will stand more traffic when it is solidly frozen than at any other time. Excess water, however, always is detrimental to a highway. When cold weather turns this water into ice, the damage that it does is greatly increased. Ice occupies considerably more space than the water from which it is formed, and every person who has lived in a cold climate is familiar with the powerful bursting effect of water when it to freeze in a confined vessel. The same action takes place when a road freezes to any considerable depth. It simply bursts, or, as we generally term it in road parlance, the road

heaves. Later, when the frost leaves, the road is disintegrated and ruts badly. If this process is repeated a number of times during the winter, a gravel or macadam road may be practically destroyed, while an earth road may become entirely impassable.

A dry road will not heave. Rock, gravel, sand and even clay when perfectly dry contract slightly on freezing. In order to expand on freezing, these materials must contain or be mixed with water, and the more water they contain the greater the expansion which takes place. But so long as the road remains frozen, the damage does not become apparent. Hence the frequent and erroneous idea that it is the thaw which injures the roads. The injury was done when the water in the road froze and the particles of the road surface—broken stone, sand or still finer particles of earth or clay—were pushed apart by the expanding power of the freezing water. The thaw merely allows the ice to melt and assume its original columnar shape.

The remedy is self-evident. Keep the water out of the road. The time to begin preventive measures is early in the fall, before the rains begin. If the road goes into the winter thoroughly dry with the surface and drainage in good condition, the chances are extremely favorable that it will come out all right the following spring.

Keep the ditches and drains open. Remove all accumulations of weeds, grass, etc., which tend to retain moisture and obstruct drainage. Furthermore, do this work early, while the ground still is dry and hard. Vegetation and other hold water like a sponge and allow it gradually to soak in and soften the earth. The job before the road man is to keep the hard dry surface formed in the summer time from becoming softened by the fall and winter rains and snows. When the fall rains begin the earth or gravel road should be dragged frequently to prevent the formation of ruts and the collection of water. All ravelled places on macadam surfaces should be carefully filled in and consolidated.

During the winter, whenever a thaw is coming on, the cross drains and side ditches should be opened up as far as possible, so as to prevent water collecting along the roadway. If the thaw is so pronounced that the roadway is softened, the drag should be used, sometimes one-round trip of the drag, with the hitch reversed, will entirely rid the earth road of slush and melting snow and leave the road surface practically dry. Don't get the idea that the drag is not needed on your earth and gravel roads in the winter time. Instead, keep it where you can get at it readily, for if the winter is an ordinary one you will need it many times.

Winter destruction begins in the early fall. The best way to prevent such destruction is to forestall it. Keep the road dry, and remember that so long as it remains so it will not be seriously injured by frost. Keep the drains open, the ditches clear, remove all vegetation and litter, and use the drag frequently. If the road is kept dry to a depth of two feet below the surface, little trouble will be experienced by the road builders from the coldest winter.

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TOOK UNUSUAL PRECAUTIONS AGAINST SUBMARINES—ANCONA SURVIVOR ON BOARD

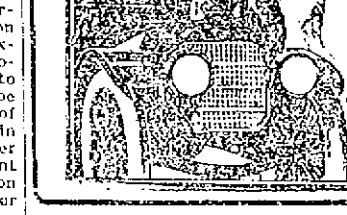
NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Unusual precautions to meet a possible submarine attack were taken by the French steamer Patria, which arrived today from Naples, Palermo and Lisbon with 41 first cabin, 21 second cabin and 550 steerage passengers. On leaving Palermo the steamer's boats were hung over the side; steam was kept on the whistles and at night all lights were out.

The Patria hugged the African coast all the way to Gibraltar, then repeated the precautionary measures on leaving Lisbon.

Among the ship's crew was John de Marco, aged 15 years, a mess boy and survivor of the Ancona disaster.

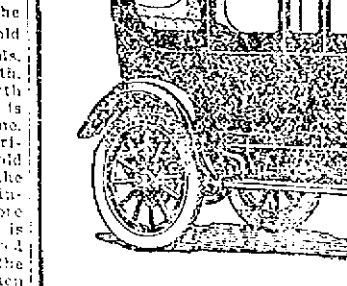
OPERATIVE BURNED

Jim Guiner of 165 George street was badly burned about the face while working at the plant of the Bay State cotton mill about 8:15 o'clock this morning when some hot water splashed on him. It is feared that he will lose one eye. Guiner was removed in the ambulance to the Lowell hospital.



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AUTOMOBILE QUESTION BOX

EDITED BY GEORGE H. ROBERTSON

NOTE—In these columns every Wednesday Mr. George H. Robertson, America's foremost automobile expert, will give expert advice to motorists on how to repair and operate their machines. Automobile readers of THE SUN are invited to send in questions or problems they may wish to have answered. Such questions will receive attention in due time. Address all communications: Automobile Editor, Sun, Lowell, Mass. Communications must bear the signature and address of the sender, though not for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

I have a motor car that has given me considerable trouble the last two months. The motor has been pounding very loud, but after I scraped the carbon off from the cylinders it did not pound near so much, but still I can hear it when the car runs fast without any hard pulling. The wrist pins seem to have a little play. Where can I get them made? How shall I put on new piston rings? How shall I get a Rayfield carburettor? Are the Cutting carburetors any more, and if so where is the company located? Also please give me the name and address of a company where I can get repairs for this car.

R. T. C.

Ans. If the wrist pins are loose or any of the bearings are loose the motor will have a knock. Most any machine shop can make new wrist pins for you. In order to fit and install new piston rings it will be necessary to remove the cylinders. The rings should be fitted accurately to the pistons and cylinders. Any good mechanic can do this work.

As for the carburettor adjustment you do not state what model carburettor you are using, and for this reason definite information cannot be given. If you will write to the carburettor company, giving them the detailed information, they will gladly forward all the instructions necessary. You might also ask for an adjustment sheet, which will explain everything in detail.

You can obtain parts for your car from the Cutting Auto company, Jackson, Mich., and also from the Cutting Motor Car company, Waterloo, Iowa.

Will you please let me know through your columns what effect worn timing gears would have on the running of a car. A friend of mine claims it is possible for a car to start itself after having "died" if the switch is turned on battery and gear is in first speed. He said this happened to him when pushing a car.

J. B.

Ans. Timing gears which are badly worn will more or less upset the valve timing. When there is considerable backlash in the gears the lead to the valves varies. The gears must be very badly worn, however, to cause any perceptible effect. Of course the more they are worn the more noisy they will be and when considerable backlash takes place there will be more or less of a pound set up in the motor.

It is possible for a car to start in the manner you have outlined. Usually the throttle is open before the switch is turned on and if the motor holds compression well it is quite apt to start on the spark. With a good size motor there would be sufficient power in the first impulse to carry it to the next. Ordinarily, however, the motor would stall after the first explosion. As stated before, the chance of starting the car under these conditions is possible, but not very probable.

In running along, and in second speed, whenever the car hits a hole in the road, the speed jumps out. Please explain the cause of this. W. M.

Ans. The lock which holds the speed change lever in place no doubt needs either tightening or replacing. Would examine these locks and fix them up.

I am having considerable trouble with my left rear wheel making a creaking noise as I run along. It is a wood wheel with a demountable rim. Do other wheels have this sort of trouble?

Ans. The noise is either caused by a wheel that is dried out or by a demountable rim that does not fit the wheel properly. Would suggest that you have a wheelwright look over the entire wheel and rim. This trouble is

common with wood wheels having demountable rims.

Is it good to use any sort of mixture with gasoline so that I can secure more power. What would you suggest? A. B. C.

Ans. Would not advise you to use anything but the straight gasoline in the motor. The different compounds will not do your motor any good.

Is castor oil good to use as a lubricant. How is it used? J. K.

Ans. Castor oil is used in racing cars to keep the big motors cool. The one objection to its use commercially is its high cost. It is used the same as ordinary lubricants.

I have just purchased a new Maxwell car and it is running fine except for the fact that it has developed a disagreeable squeak all over. I have looked over the motor but it seems to be very pronounced when the car is in motion. Could you explain the trouble? A. H.

Ans. Your trouble is undoubtedly due to the lack of lubrication of your spring shackles, etc. Would advise you to go over all the grease cups on the chassis at least once a week. Would also suggest a good washing for the car.

Does it harm a car to run boiling water through the carburettor to remove carbon? If not, how often should I do it and to what extent? I have a Lloyd car. E. H.

Ans. A few drops of water put in the air intake of the carburettor will help clean the carbon. The action of the water, which is converted into steam, softens the carbon.

Are the so-called puncture cures which are on the market good for tires, and what effect does it have on rubber? D. F.

Ans. I have used many of the puncture proof compounds and have only found one or two that will do the work properly. As a rule, most of the preparations either ruin a tube by chemical action or else render a tube unfit for use after it is taken from the casing.

LUBRICATION FIRST

Differing from its prototype, the car of today has provision for lubricating and adjusting its steering mechanism. True, we could oil at upper corners of the wheel anatomy, but that is not lubricating.

Now, breakage of a steering layout comes from one of two—generally two of two—factors: Undue violence and undue wear.

Undue violence may be due to the faults of an inexperienced driver, or to deficiencies in other chassis parts, as brakes or if it may be quite unavoidable. But, so carefully computed by the modern designer are the factors of stress and strength, seldom does external violence alone cause steering gear fractures. It remains for the lubrication, by wear, of the designer's computations to prepare the mechanism for catastrophe.

First, let us analyze the product, wear into its factors:

1. Friction.

a. Of metal parts on metal.

b. Of abrading substances on metal.

2. Undue stresses, due to unexpected leverages, from loosened parts.

Now, let us consider these individual factors:

What ever means we may utilize for its alleviation, the action of friction is inevitable—so far. But, with the interposition of certain substances between metal parts, the friction or wear is diverted from the metal to the various victim. Therefore, oil-films, but oil-films vanish. Hence, oil resurges as such as cups. But there must be conscientious—more, experienced—attention. Again, while oils are almost perfect lubricants, when contaminated with sand, roadway dust and other bits of the gods this ideal lubricant becomes an ideal abrasive which wears parts even more rapidly than, if slightly loose, their function—oil films.

Therefore our problem consists of more than mere oiling—even of lu-

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AT THE ORPHANAGES

HOW CHRISTMAS WILL BE OBSERVED AT THE LOCAL INSTITUTIONS

Arrangements have been made in practically all the orphanages and children's homes of this city for a merry celebration of Christmas day, and in most of the places Christmas tree exercises will be held to delight the little ones.

St. Peter's
At St. Peter's orphanage in Stevens street, Christmas day will be ushered in by the children, who will attend a mass to be celebrated in their chapel at 5 o'clock in the morning. At this mass a special musical program will be given by the little girls under the direction of the sisters.

Friends of the institution have arranged to treat the children to a turkey dinner, including all the "fixings," and it is fair to assume that the gathering around the festive board will be a merry one. From 2 until 3 o'clock in the afternoon visitors will be admitted, and at 3 o'clock Christmas tree exercises will be held, the tree and numerous gifts including toys and useful articles, having been supplied by the members of St. Elizabeth's guild and other friends of the home. The celebration of Christmas day will close with benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel of the orphanage.

French-American

At the French-American orphanage in Pawtucket street a midnight mass will be celebrated. On Christmas day the 300 boys and girls of the institution will be entertained at dinner by Undermaster Amedee Archambault, who also gave the dinner last Christmas day. The order sent to the orphanage by Mr. Archambault includes 135 pounds of Vermont turkey and all the fixings, including a large box of celery, 15 gallons of ice cream, 50 pounds of pound cake, 100 pounds of candy, 100 pounds of nuts and three boxes of oranges.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon Christmas tree exercises will be held under the direction of Dr. and Mrs. George E. Cuttice.

Ayer Home

A feature at the Ayer Home on Christmas day will be the presentation of a one-act playlet, entitled "The Spirit of Christmas," which was written especially for the occasion by the

matron of the home, Mrs. E. J. Starr. The playlet will be produced by the best talent of the institution in the forenoon, when Christmas tree exercises will be held. At noon a turkey dinner will be served, and in the afternoon skating will be enjoyed in the yard by some of the children, while others will enjoy themselves with their toys. At 4 o'clock the children will be taken to the Pawtucket Congregational church, where a Christmas concert will be given.

Children's Home

The matron of the Children's home in Kirk street informed the writer yesterday afternoon that Christmas tree exercises will be held at the home in the afternoon. Yesterday the children were decorating a large tree and they are anxiously awaiting the arrival of Santa Claus. A turkey dinner will be served at noon. In the afternoon the friends of the home are welcome.

Day Nursery

At the Day Nursery in Kirk street, Christmas tree exercises will be held Friday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock for the children and mothers. Ice cream and cake will be served, while toys and useful articles will be distributed among the children. On Christmas day a children's dinner will be served to eight children who remain at the home over the holiday.

CIVIL SUITS ARE FILED

THREE CASES OF LOCAL INTEREST TO BE HEARD AT CAMBRIDGE

Special to The Sun

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 21.—Sarah N. Richardson of Medford as administratrix of the estate of Sarah S. Richardson, late of Medford, has been sued for \$5000 in an action of contract or tort by Peter Lacy of Tewksbury. The papers have been filed by Attorneys Valley and Casson of Boston. It is alleged that the estate owes \$2557.78. The Boston & Maine railroad has been sued for \$50,000 in an action of tort by Mary K. Crowe as administratrix of the estate of her husband Daniel J. Crowe, late of Lowell. The papers have been filed by Attorney Philip J. Southwick of Boston. Mrs. Crowe alleges that on Saturday, June 19, 1915, while her husband was in the employ of the company as a freight brakeman and at work in the freight yards on Dutton street, he was caught between a freight car and an engine tender and was so badly injured that he died the next day. It is alleged that the

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AMUSEMENT NOTES

B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

Probably the greatest exhibition of animal training ever put before a Lowell audience is contained in the act presented at the B. F. Keith theatre this week by Derk's European Novelty. During the 15 minutes that five dogs and two monkeys are on the stage no human being appears, and the play is carried out without the smallest hitch. Rusty, the most highly trained dog of the group, is almost constantly in view. He sits down most of the time, just like a man, although occasionally he follows some other dog into a doorway, and then emerges therefrom. Another dog personates a butcher waiting for customers to appear. He leans against his shop, his paws folded in front of him. Still another is a gay young spark, who takes his lady to a movie, and another is a policeman. This is an act far above the ordinary. The Kenney & Jollis, the original college boys, can start an audience giggling right at the start, and at the close everybody wants more of them. When Kenney gives his impersonations of national dances he is doing his very best work. "Sweet" Gallagher and Irene Martin, a classy pair of performers, please as much through their very attractiveness as by anything they do. Spencer Kelly and Marion Wilder in "Cyclones—Past and Present," offer a high class musical number. Both are uncommonly good singers. They are assisted by Charlotte Maloney, violinist, and Dorothy Haynes, pianist. The Ramondell Duo, dancers, open the show well, and the Three Floods, pantomimic acrobats, close it with speed. Robinson & McShane are blackface comedians. Tickets for Christmas day should be obtained in advance at the box office.

OPERA HOUSE

Never before has such a great success been scored in Lowell theatrons as the Emerson Players are registering this week at the Opera House in the brilliant comedy-sensation, "The Big Idea," which is a Cohan & Harris masterpiece, and which has been secured for one week only by special arrangement with George M. Cohan himself. The play has scored a wonderful hit and since the opening performances on Monday afternoon the Opera House has been packed with enthusiastic audiences. For the remainder of the week, there is a big demand for seats, and wise patrons will secure their early. On Christmas day, the matinee will start at 2 o'clock instead of the usual time, 2:15, and as many as can should arrange to attend the matinee performance, as hundreds are certain to be turned away in the evening. Do today or tomorrow and be sure of seeing this great play. "Phone 261 for seats.

"The Big Idea" is an unusual play that lives up to its name, and the great enthusiasm of the audience this far this week indicates the most successful week of the whole season. Homer Barton as Richard Howard and Miss Frances Woodbury as Elaine Foster, share high honors for their splendid characterizations. Mr. Barton makes a splendid young writer and of all characters he has portrayed this season, none has offered him such brilliant opportunities, and he exploits his talents in an admirable manner. Miss Woodbury is a bewitchingly charming Elaine Foster, who is his co-worker in writing the play that brings the much wanted \$25,000. She plays the part finely and with remarkable ability. Edward Nannery as Charles Gilmore, the theatrical manager, is exceptionally good in his portrayal.

Joseph Crehan gives an admirable portrayal of Bob Caswell, an insurance agent. Walter von Roekman as James Howard, Gilberta Faust as his wife, and Dorel Goodwin as his daughter, are very good. Richard Barry as Mr. Byrne does well in his part. Frank Wright as Steven Bingham, the stage director, is good. The scenes throughout the play are plentiful in comedy and dramatic features, and that it is the best woven play in years is the unanimous verdict of everyone who has seen this play.

The play tells the story of a rich banker who must raise \$25,000 by a certain time or face ruin. The curtain rises on a dark stage with the son and father discussing the financial trouble, and, in order to save the father, the son suggests that he (the son) commit suicide and in that manner secure \$25,000 insurance money for the father.

car was not equipped in the manner prescribed by law and also that certain machinery was in a defective condition.

The Wheelock Jeffrey Co., of Brookline has been sued for \$500 in an action of contract by the Arthur J. Cummings Motor Co., of Lowell. The papers have been filed by Attorney William D. Regan. It is alleged that the defendant company owes \$192.75.

HOYT.

ST. RITA DEVOTIONS

A large congregation attended the devotions to St. Rita at St. Peter's church last evening. Rev. Dr. Koleher, pastor, officiated. The special devotional services will be held every Tuesday evening during the winter months.

ROYAL THEATRE

Authentic pictures of the last "Battle and Fall of Warsaw" is the special feature offered at the Royal theatre for today and tomorrow. These films were taken at the risk of life and limb, right smack at the front, where the heaviest fighting was going on. Fifteen special camera-men, encamped in the best positions, where everything could be taken in, were busy clicking the little camera, while fighters sweated and swore, many of them unconscious of the fact that a bullet had entered a part of their anatomy. Heavy guns, roaring and spitting death and destruction in action, flying machines, big, awkward Zeppelins, the navy of the nations, all this combination before you as they really and truly are. It's an inspiring spectacle, one well worth while to the man who likes to study modern methods of warfare. Besides this interesting and historical series of films, many other features and regular one and two-reel dramas and comedies will complete a delightful program for today and tomorrow. Friday and Saturday, first reel of "The Red Circle" and also Charles Chaplin in "A Night at the Show."



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Next week, the Emerson Players will present "Rebecca" of Sunnysbrook Farm, and Miss Ann O'Day, the popular leading lady, will be seen in the title role after a two weeks' rest upon the advice of her physician. Miss O'Day is feeling fine, and has already started rehearsals for "Rebecca." This play is being offered for the first time in Lowell at popular prices, and, of peculiar coincidence is the fact that "Rebecca" was originally produced in this city before it went to the Reliance theatre in New York city for a year's run.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

Fanny Ward will make her last appearance in "The Cheat" today at all performances given at the Merrimack Square theatre. If you are one who has not seen her in her inimitable characterization in this Paramount masterpiece, which even Sir Lasky himself considers his greatest achievement to date, you should take this final opportunity to behold one of the greatest and most versatile impersonators on the motion picture screen today. Fanny Ward, great though her former appearances have been, appears at her best in the role of the reckless butterfly in this story. Hers is the role which often finds its counterpart in many an idle rich woman

who wantonly fritters away her time and squanders thoughtlessly her husband's money on extravagant dress and the like. The dresses which Miss Ward wears in the picture are the very latest Paris creations, pleasing to the eye of any critic on dress. The scenes are elaborate and are worthy backgrounds for a star of Miss Ward's brilliancy. The two-act Charlie Chaplin comedy entitled "A Night in the Show," is both funny and aqueous. Everybody in the play gets a shower bath. "Marion" is a beautiful tale of the pitey of a poor Italian girl which overcomes the base designs of her father's landlord. All these and other interesting pictures will again be shown today at the Merrimack Square theatre for the last time. The feature for the next three days will be the five-act Paramount drama of home and politics, "The Reform Candidate," starring the well known Macklyn Arbuckle. Other pictures which are bound to please will also be included in the program for the next three days at the Merrimack Square theatre.

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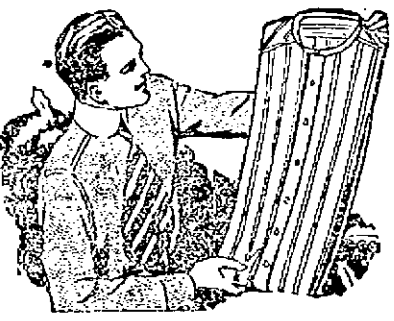
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C.M.A.C. HELD MEETING

NEW OFFICERS CHOSEN AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE INSTALLATION EXERCISES

An interesting meeting of the members of the C.M.A.C. was held last night in the spacious and well appointed quarters of the organization in Pawtucket street. President Arthur St. Hilaire occupied the chair and considerable business was transacted.



LOUIS ST. JEAN, President.

A new member was initiated and several applications for membership were received.

A feature of the evening was the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: Louis St. Jean, president; Wilfrid Achin, vice-president; Thomas Berube, recording secretary; Albert N. Hamel, assistant recording secretary; Adolphe O. Brassard, corresponding secretary; Napoleon M. Lozeau, financial secretary; Frank R. Leclair, assistant financial secretary; Joseph L. Lamoureux, treasurer; Isidore Trudel and Isidore Tremblay, marshals; Alfred Salvas, librarian; Donat J. Brunelle, Alphonse Fortier and Emery Racette, directors; Raoul Peltier, interior guard; Joseph Boutin, exterior guard; Dr. G. O. Lav.

Medical examiner: Rev. Joseph Bolduc, C.M.I., chaplain. The election was in charge of Rep. Henry Achin, Joseph Provost, Philippe Chuput, Albert Bergeron, Lazaro Boule, J. M. G. Fortier and Onesime Tremblay. The Australian ballot was used and over 200 votes were cast. After the announcement of the result of the election, interesting remarks were made by the newly elected officers, and a committee was appointed to arrange for a social gathering in connection with the installation of the newly elected officers, which will take place on Tuesday evening, Jan. 4.

CHRISTMAS EVE CELEBRATION

Arrangements for this feature at the Highland Club House are progressing.

Arrangements for the Christmas eve celebration at the Highland club on Friday evening are progressing and the members of the entertainment committee, under whose auspices the event will be held, are working zealously for its success. All the members of the club as well as the residents in the immediate vicinity of the club-house are lending a helping hand and the celebration promises to be one of the most enjoyable events ever conducted by the popular club. The decorators and electricians have started to work on the building and will have everything in readiness by Friday noon. The brilliant illumination of the building and grounds will provide a pretty picture, while the various candles in the windows of the club and the houses nearby will add to the beauty of the surroundings. The lights will be thrown on early in the evening, during which time the clubhouse will be open for inspection. At 8:30 the carol singers, under the direction of Alex Williams, will arrive and begin their program. After the concert the singers will be conveyed in automobiles to the South common where they will assist in the big public celebration.

MILITARY COURSE

A large number of prominent business and professional men of Lowell have elected the application for the course of military instruction to be given by the Lowell Artillery club. The list includes quite a number of physicians, lawyers, bank men and others and much interest is being taken in the project. A partial list of the subjects to be taken up includes the following: Organization and uses of the various arms of the service. Tactics, infantry and artillery. Maps and map reading and simple map problems. Personal hygiene and first aid. Mechanism and nomenclature of the Springfield rifle and Colt pistol. Mechanism and nomenclature of the

ALL JOY NOT GONE WITH LOSS OF LEGS; AUSTRIAN DANCES ON ARTIFICIAL LIMBS



HE DANCES WITH ARTIFICIAL LEGS

While it is not probable that the Austrian soldier in the picture is wearing artificial legs made in America, it is certain that the medical authorities of the anti-Toulon countries look to America for a large share of their supplies of these aids to rebuilding wounded fighters. This Austrian, who lost both lower limbs in battle, has acquired such control of his unnatural "pegs" that he can dance with his nurse.

3-inch field artillery material. Field artillery shell, shrapnel and fuses. Military correspondence. Visual signalling, semaphore and Morse codes. It is planned to make the instruction as practical as possible and not technical, and to teach the principles required of the soldier in the field. It is not intended to perfect members in infantry or artillery drill but to familiarize with the different branches, the material used and the method of using. Any who may be interested may secure further information and sign this application by applying either to Lieut. Needham, 303 Sun building, or Dr. Clarence B. Livingston, Wyman's Exchange.

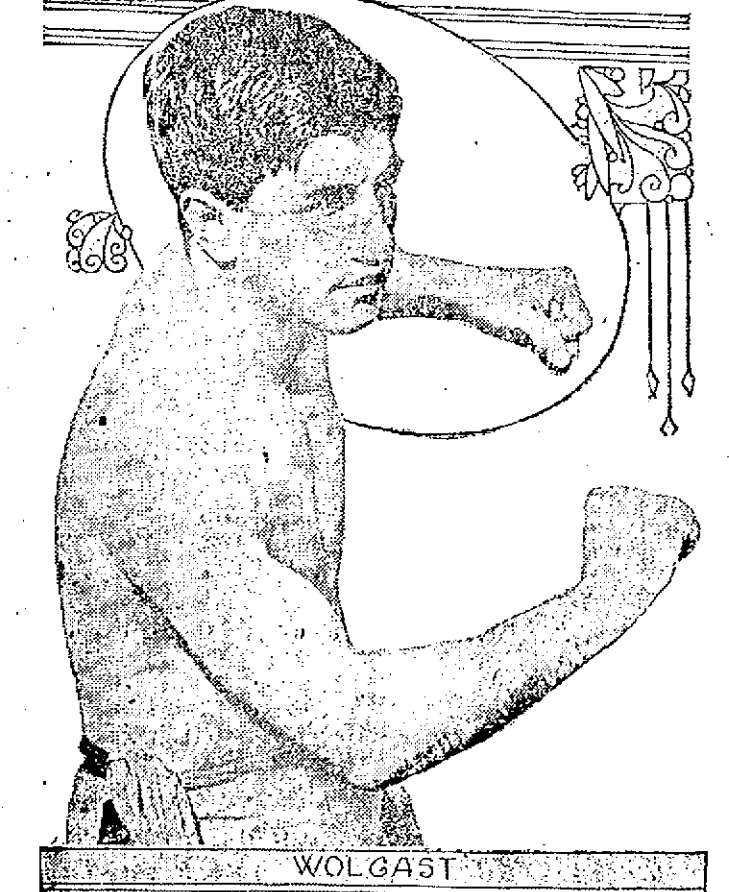
PITTSBURGH BANK CLOSED

CHRISTMAS CHEER WAS RUDELY SHOCKED TODAY BY THIS ANNOUNCEMENT. PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 22.—Christmas cheer in Pittsburgh was rudely shocked this morning when the Pittsburgh Bank for Savings, one of the best known institutions in the city, was closed by order of the Pennsylvania banking department. G. H. Getty, bank examiner, was appointed temporary receiver. The bank, it was known in the financial district, had been embarrassed by the failure in 1914 of James S. Kuhn and W. S. Kuhn, who were said to have been interested in the institution. Deposits on Sept. 15, 1915, were \$10,245,731, according to the report made to the banking commissioner, and the surplus was \$193,514.

IN MILADY'S BOUDOIR

THE INDIVIDUAL TYPE. Many women desire décolleté gowns, but alas have damaged complexions, hollow throats, rough arms, and hollow fore and aft on the shoulders and chests. The supposedly elusive remedy if she did but know it. Of course, all women are not born queens of beauty, but each may cultivate her individual type and train it to its perfection, where the requisite factors of intelligence and unflinching persistence have been the cornerstones. The need of careful, daily grooming, deep breathing, sunlight, exercise, sleep and a discreet winter dietary, all individually and collectively contribute towards making a woman divinely fair. When women realize this simple truth, there will be no need of a thousand and one cosmetics, nor will it require an hour or longer to touch up the complexion, throat, shoulders and back, as a becoming foil for the décolleté gown. The woman who does not possess a fairly good skin and, becoming a fairly good skin, certainly faces a perplexing problem, although too much flesh is almost as much of a sin as too little. For, go where she will, to opera, dance, dinner, restaurant and theatre, gowns are décolleté and semi-decolleté, and the observer suspects tubercular tendencies when the throat is dressed high and the arms are screened with semi-transparencies. The easiest way to dissipate hollows and tendencies to bluishness is to take a course of treatment in massage and physical culture, where specific exercises are prescribed. The best foundation for a décolleté gown, whether the skin is too red, too white, rough or otherwise blemished, is a warm bath, followed by a cold dash. Then the complexion and exposed flesh is thoroughly massaged with a cleansing cream. The fingers should be worked so that the pores will absorb it more readily. Remove excess cream by lightly patting with a piece of cheesecloth, allowing a film of cream to remain so as to hold the powder.

AD WOLGAST INTENDS TO RETIRE FROM RING JAN. 1, 1916



Ad Wolgast, the former world's lightweight champion, announced that he will throw aside his gloves Jan. 1 and retire from the ring. Two years ago Wolgast announced his retirement from the roped arena, but the promoters kept after him until he consented to meet a number of the near champions. In talking of his retirement from the ring the Cadillac (Mich.) wildcard said recently: "I have over \$200,000 saved, quite enough to keep the wolf away from the door for many a day. When I announced my retirement from the roped arena in 1913 I was sincere, but the promoters kept right after me, and as the inducements were liberal once I consented to re-enter the ring. In the course of two years I have earned over \$100,000, of which I have saved \$20,000. It is hard for me to retire from the ring, as those behind the sport are continually after a man who can put up a battle that will be full of action from start to finish and of, for me, road side purses. I intend to devote most of my time to farming in Cadillac, Mich. After Jan. 1 I prefer to be known as Farmer Ad Wolgast."

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The first Battalion night of the season under the auspices of the four local companies of the National Guard was held last night at the armory in Westford street and proved a big success. The attendance nearly reached the thousand mark, and all present spent a most enjoyable evening. The program, which was long and varied, was carried out without the slightest hitch, much to the satisfaction of the

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Charge of Fraudulent Use of the Mails Brought Against Maine Man—Lowell Woman a Witness

Mrs. Abbie Gates of 75 Gates street, this city, was one of 41 women, alleged victims from all over New England, of Lewis J. Marshall of Lisbon Falls, Me., who signed himself Supreme Director of the United States. He conducted a mail order business in how the to be made by women at home. Mrs. Gates was summoned to appear in the United States district court at Portland, Me., for the trial of Marshall on a charge of using the United States mails in a scheme to defraud. The trial opened yesterday and was resumed again today.

Marshall's advertisement in the Female Help Wanted column had probably been read by tens of thousands of ambitious women in the last five years or so, who would have been glad

of a chance to make a few dollars at home in spare time. The extent of his operations is shown by the fact that among the 41 women summoned before court, were residents of Lowell, Haverhill, Peabody, West Somerville and Amesbury and several New Hampshire and Maine cities and towns.

The advertisement which with its subsequent circulars and letters from Marshall, has stirred up the postoffice department, whose inspectors have worked on the case for years, has long appeared in the papers in this form:

"Female Help Wanted—Women to make silk hosiery at home, sent to any address, sample and instructions, 10 cents. Marshall & Co., Lisbon Falls, Me."

A short time ago when the postoffice department was holding up Marshall's mail, he applied unsuccessfully in the United States district court at Portland for a writ against the postmaster at Lisbon Falls.

The United States government charges that he inserted his advertisement in newspapers, with the intent that women should suppose that upon sending 10 cents they would have given an opportunity to make money, and that upon receipt of the money it was a part of the scheme of Marshall to send instructions relative to the making of hosiery, not give to the woman an opportunity for making them at a reasonable compensation, but to mail them the following advertisement:

"ANY WOMAN CAN EARN GOOD PAY MAKING SILK HOSIERY at Home For Us. We have just bought a very large lot of samples of imported silks, which we wish made into hosiery. The work is neat, and easy to learn. After becoming accustomed to the work one can make a dozen an hour."

We will make a contract to furnish 50 dozen to be made at 20 cents per dozen, all work well done to be paid for as soon as received by us. To any one wishing to try the work before signing the contract we will send complete sample outfit to begin work at once on receipt of 25c. The L. J. MARSHALL CO., LISBON FALLS, ME.

The government says that Marshall meant women to understand then, that upon sending 25c, they would be given an opportunity to make 50 dozen neckties at a compensation of 20c a dozen, and that it was the scheme of Marshall to furnish the opportunity, but to send out a printed circular which gave directions to make a tie like the sample if they wish to take up the work, and sign a contract which accompanied and if the tie made was satisfactory they could then take up the work. The circular also asked up \$2 on the ground that the material for 50 dozen ties could not be sent out without security. When \$10 worth of work had been done the \$2 would be refunded.

The contract called for goods made to the best of ability, and included an agreement about the \$2 and an agreement to rectify all mistakes and reserved the right to Marshall to send back work not properly done and a clause that any one wishing to discontinue work could retain goods in their hands, and Marshall retain the amount of the deposit.

After this agreement was signed, Marshall would begin finding fault with the ties, giving no instructions how to remedy the fault, and otherwise hinder the woman from fulfilling her part of the contract, a communication he also had at times to direct by not sending the working material within any reasonable time, and also by sending small lots at a time instead of the whole 50 dozen, in this way deliberately discouraging the woman and helping her to break her contract.

COUNT ZEPPELIN
Builder of Dirigibles Elected Member of the First Chamber of Wurtemberg.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—A Central News despatch from Amsterdam says that Count Zeppelin, builder of dirigibles, has been elected a member of the first chamber of Wurtemberg.

TODAY'S STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Am Beet Sugar	89	89	89
Am Can pf	110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2
Am Can & Pn	78	77	77 1/2
Am Hill & L pf	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
Am Locomotive	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2
Am Smelt & R	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
Am Smelt & R pf	111 1/2	111 1/2	111 1/2
Am Sugar Hn	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Am Soda	89	89	89
Atchafalpa	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2
Atchafalpa pf	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2
Baldwin Loco	117 1/2	117 1/2	117 1/2
Balt & Ohio	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2
Balt & Ohio pf	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2
California Petrol	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2
Go pref	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2
Canadian Pac	175 1/2	175 1/2	175 1/2
Chile	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
Cent Leather	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2
Ches & Ohio	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
Col Fuel	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2
Consolidated	145 1/2	145 1/2	145 1/2
Cruikshank Steel	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2
Del & Hudson	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
Del & W	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
Dis Secur Co	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2
Erie	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2
Erie 1st pf	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2
Gen Elec	175 1/2	175 1/2	175 1/2
Gen Elec pf	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
Gen S	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2
Illinois Cent	107	107	107
Illinois Steel	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2
Int Paper	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2
Int Paper pf	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2
Lehigh Valley	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2
Louis & Nash	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
Mexican Petroleum	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2
Missouri Pac	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2
Nat Lead	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
N Y Air Brake	130 1/2	130 1/2	130 1/2
N Y Central	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2
Nor & West	120 1/2	120 1/2	120 1/2
Nor Am Co	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2
North Pacific	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
Out & West	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
Pennsylvania	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
People's Gas	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2
Re St N Co	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
Reading	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2
Rep Iron & S	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2
Rock Is	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2
St L & S	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
St L & S pf	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
St Paul	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2
So Pacific	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2
Southern Ry	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
Southern Ry pf	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
Stearns	167 1/2	167 1/2	167 1/2
Tenn Copper	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
Union Pacific	137 1/2	137 1/2	137 1/2
Union Pac pf	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2
U S Rub	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2
U S Rub pf	116 1/2	116 1/2	116 1/2
U S Steel	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2
U S Steel pf	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2
U S Steel 2d	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2
Western Union	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2

METAL GROUP FEATURE

BETHLEHEM DROPPED 14 TO 460—OIL SHARE FEATURE OF FINAL HOUR—CLOSING IRREGULAR

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Such stocks as American Smelting, Mexican Petroleum and Inspiration, which continued to monopolize speculative attention on the resumption of trading on the stock exchange today, while rails and similar investment issues were again neglected. Smelting rose to 106 1/2, an overnight gain of 1 1/2 and within a fraction of its highest price since 1908. Copper stocks were stimulated by the rise in Smelting, as well as the price of the metal, and Mercantile Marine pf., Texas Co., and a few specialties also responded to a moderate demand. There was further active buying of the Anglo-American bonds.

Marine pf. was the active stock of the first hour, but the metal group as a whole overshadowed all other features. Another rise to Copper to 20 1/2 was responsible for the prominence of such semi-active issues as Inspiration, Canadian Pacific, Tennessee, China and National Lead at gains of 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 points. Smelting showed the effects of realizing for profits and U. S. Steel was under steady pressure. Oil shares had a slight set back, and leading rails, like Union Pacific, Northern Pacific, Reading and Erie, were irregularly lower. Bethlehem Steel, on a single transaction dropped 14 to 460. Bonds were steady.

Publication of the note to Austria was preceded and followed by greater activity and strength in all quarters. Coppers added to previous quotations on reports of monopolies sales to foreign interests at as high as 21c.

Oil shares featured the final hour with heavy trading in Mexican Petroleum, which rose 5 1/2 to the new record of 103 1/2. The closing was irregular.

MONEY MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Mercantile paper, 3 1/2%. Sterling: Sixty day bills, 4.65; demand, 4.75%; cables, 4.74. Francs: Demand, 5.33; cables, 5.32. Marks: Demand, 77; cables, 77.15. Guilders: Demand, 43 1/2; cables, 43 1/2. Lires: Demand, 6.56; cables, 6.55. Rubles: Demand, 31 1/2; cables, 32. Bar silver, 54 1/2. Mexican dollars, 42. Government bonds firm; railroad bonds irregular. Time loans 60-day, sixty days, 2 1/2%; ninety days, 2 1/2%; six months, 3%. Call money steady; high 2; low 1 1/2; ruling rate 2; last loan 2; closing bid 1 1/2; offered 2.

BOSTON MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Boston Elevated	81 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2
Boston & Maine	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2
N Y & N H	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Alaska Gold	26	25 1/2	25 1/2
Algonquin	2	1 1/2	1 1/2
Allouez	60	57 1/2	60
American Zinc	69	67 1/2	68 1/2
Arcadian	10 1/2	10	10 1/2
Arizona Cons	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2
Butte & Superior	67 1/2	65 1/2	66 1/2
Cal & Arizona	70	68 1/2	70
Cal & Hecla	55 1/2	54 1/2	55 1/2
Chino	54 1/2	53 1/2	54 1/2
Copper Range	54 1/2	53 1/2	54 1/2
Butte	16	15 1/2	16
Franklin	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
Granby	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2
Greene & Canaan	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2
Hancock	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2
Inspiration	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2
Isle Royale	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
Kerr Lake	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
Mass	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Mayflower	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
Miami	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
Mohawk	33 1/2	32 1/2	33 1/2
Nevada	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
North Butte	22 1/2	21 1/2	22 1/2
No Lake	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2
Old Dominion	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
Oscoda	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2
Quincy	80	80	80
Ray Cons	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
Santa Fe	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2
Shannon	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
Superior	26 1/2	25 1/2	26 1/2
Superior & Boston	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2
Tambrack	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
Triumph	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2
Tuolumne	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2
U S Smelting	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2
U S Smelting pf	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2
Utah Cons	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Wolverine	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Am Tel & Tel	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Am Ag Chem Com	70 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2
Am Woolen pf	56 1/2	56 1/2	56 1/2
Island Creek Coal	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2
Mass Elec	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
Mass Elec pf	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
Mass Gas	81 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2
Pond Creek	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2
Swift	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
United Fruit	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2
United Sh M	51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2

EXCHANGES

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Exchanges, \$154,500,408; balances, \$34,111,529.

COTTON MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Cotton futures opened steady. December offerings opened steady. December 12.15; January 11.87; March 12.12; May 12.43; July 12.56; October 12.30. Cotton futures closed barely steady. December 11.85; January 11.87; March 12.16; May 12.39; July 12.56; October 12.26. Spot steady; middling 12.10.

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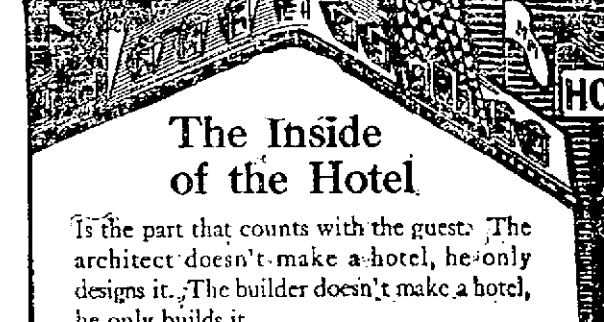
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LEAGUE GAMES ROLLED

CARDS, KITTENDIGGS AND BROADWAY CLUB TEAMS HAD AT IT LAST NIGHT

The Buntings gave the Columbians a severe trouncing in a game in the Carr League last night, the former team winning by nearly 150 runs. Burt of the winning aggregation was the star performer having a single of 121 and a triple of 25. Martin's Cubs took three points from the Shot Shell. In the Kittendiggs league the M. S. I. took three points from Dooley's Milkmen and the Suburbans won three from the Baldwin Club.

The First and Second Boys had it at the Broadway League and although the teams split the points the former team put up a total of 521 in the third string all but one member of the team shooting over the 100 mark. The scores:

CARR LEAGUE				
Buntings	2	3	Totals	
Columbian	90	2	92	216
Canzon	88	147	89	231
Canzon	91	90	97	281
Canzon	91	90	97	281
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COLUMBIANS				
Grimm	70	90	83	262
Travers	77	91	75	243
Marshall	77	91	75	243
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MARTIN'S CUBS				
Marshall	87	85	75	247
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SHOT SHELL				
H. McLaughlin	51	77	55	265
Shaw	52	71	50	273
Centure	50	110	57	317
Wren	101	90	82	273
J. McLaughlin	77	57	93	227
Totals	453	438	417	1323

KITTENDIGGS LEAGUE				
M. S. I.	2	3	Totals	
Keenan	87	98	93	278
Lavel	87	91	92	270
Panton	88	89	95	272
Morley	87	87	90	264
Scott	100	83	116	299
Totals	470	448	456	1101

DOOLEY'S MILKMEN				
Brown	121	103	99	323
Dooley	121	103	99	323
Osterman	85	97	83	265
Steferson	107	83	96	286
Hosmer	100	101	96	297
Totals	456	471	418	1385

BALDWIN CLUB				
Gordon	81	81	84	246
Pragot	91	91	84	266
Bordeaux	96	95	85	276
St. Silcox	92	91	84	267
Dyer	88	91	87	266
Totals	438	459	431	1328

SUBURBANS				
Boyle	81	81	85	247
Canzon	102	81	85	268
Steferson	107	83	96	286
Chandler	91	102	98	291
Avhite	82	91	95	268
Totals	465	451	466	1382

BROADWAY LEAGUE				
Red Sox	2	3	Totals	
Smith	74	85	128	287
Dopavay	91	93	111	295
Peters	91	93	111	295
Monahan	97	100	105	302
Kelley	91	96	78	265
Totals	451	465	521	1118

SPEED BOYS				
Clancy	82	82	74	238
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Murphy	118	81	86	285
Walsh	86	88	85	259
O'Brien	97	120	95	312
Totals	459	456	427	1332

MANY UNFAIR PUNCHES

PIVOT BLOW IS MOST OBJECTIONABLE—OTHER TABOOED WALLOPS OF THE RING

Of all the unfair blows used by modern boxers, perhaps the worst was the "pivot blow" which was developed and used by George Lablanche. "The Marine," as he was popularly known because he began fighting while with Uncle Sam's marines, will begin his sixtieth year tomorrow, if he is still in the land of the living. He was active in the ring from 1882 to 1898, when a year or two ago it was reported that Lablanche was a hopeless victim of liquor, and was spending most of his time at a state farm in Massachusetts. He was a French-Canadian, a native of Quebec, and his real name was Blais. It was about a quarter of a century ago that Lablanche won the middleweight championship by knocking out weight champion, in the thirty-second round, at San Francisco, using the pivot blow, which has since been barred. Many boxers besides The Marine have used novel punches which, if not unfair, were at least questionable from the viewpoint of sound sportsmanship. Abe Attel had a thumb punch which almost blinded a middleweight champion. Sullivan sometimes used a back hand kidney blow, and Corbett occasionally used the back of his wrist. McFarland's hitting with the open gloves has been criticised by many experts as unfair and a violation of the rules. Kid McCoy's corkerwise punter was a vicious blow. The list could be extended indefinitely, for nearly every boxer has used some punch that, even if entirely fair, is not entirely unobjectionable.

DICK BURGE, A SOLDIER

Private Richard Burge, of the First Surrey Rifles, is as active and physically trim as in the old days when he was the lightweight champion of England. Dick Burge was a name well known to the fight fans on both sides of the Atlantic twenty years or so ago, chiefly because of his remarkable battle with Kid Lavigne for the lightweight championship of the world. Dick was several inches taller than the Saxon Kid, and had a considerable advantage in weight, but much to his surprise and that of the Eastern association before the middle of next month. Apply Jesse Burkett, Lea Pieper and Tom Murnane.

He came to town some time ago, and was given a warm welcome. The boys now call me Chester. Reward if right name is returned to Bowler Whipple.

CHIP BEATS LOUGHREY

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LOWELL FIVE WON

Defeated Northboro in Fast Game—Clark Star of the Evening

Harry "Ducky" Lew's Lowell quintet of basketballers jumped up a notch in the standing of the Massachusetts Central Basketball league last night when a win was recorded over the Northboro contingent. The score was Lowell 32, Northboro, 27. The game was fast and exciting and numerous spectacular plays were executed by players of both teams. The contest was also the cleanest of the season with comparatively few fouls and this fact made a big hit with the spectators as was evidenced by the applause that greeted the players at the end of each period.

Lowell showed marked improvement in floor play which was mainly responsible for the victory. Every Lowell man started the game apparently determined to pass the ball and as a result of their excellent all-around play Clark and Lucas were given a chance to do their best work.

Paul Clark was the star of the game and proved a big favorite with the spectators. Just nine times he caged the ball and did floor work was responsible for other scores. He also played a great defensive game and his opponent only succeeded in getting two baskets. Clark gave one of the finest exhibitions of under-the-basket shooting seen at Associate hall game.

Leo Lucas played a whirlwind game and he came next to Clark in the number of baskets negotiated for his team. The Lawrence wonder put the magic sign on the opposing side's basket five times and he handled the ball in a truly professional manner. He also did good floor work and several times he carried the ball the entire length of the floor. As a result of his work his teammates had plenty of free shots.

Shugrue, a new man from Nashua, was given a tryout in the first period and he acquitted himself creditably. He was taken into consideration the fact that he was playing with a strange team on a strange floor. His play was filled in the second and third periods by Frankie McPherson. McPherson played his usual brilliant game and his defensive work brought out enthusiastic applause from the home fans.

The Centralville boys were a little off shooting but he more than made up for this fault by getting the ball for his team when it was most needed. Sam Follansbee gave another grand exhibition of team play. He was in the game at all times and his lightening-like passes to Clark and McPherson for his team. The Hills City athletes had few tries for the basket and he contented himself with aiding in the team's score by general work.

Mulvaney proved a clever obstructionist and he wrecked several of Northboro's carefully planned movements near the basket. A large number of Lowell's fouls were called, but the big Nashua police inspector but they were unintentional and were overlooked by everybody. Like McPherson he had an off night at basket shooting and he failed to negotiate a score although he had a number of opportunities.

Turner and Roderick excelled for the visitors. Turner gave a fine exhibition of all-around work and he managed to hoop the ball on four occasions. He is a big rangy fellow, but is very fast. He is rated as the "pivot dribbler" in the league. Roderick played a fine defensive game and he also scored three baskets.

Referee Gillon was on duty as the decision maker and as on his previous visits in this city he gave complete satisfaction. He called fouls left and right the minute he saw them and impartiality was a feature of his work. The closing of play is indicated by the standing at the end of the three periods, 10 to 8, 22 to 26 and 32 to 27.

The lineup, score and summary:

Lowell—32. Clark, 12; Follansbee, 10; Lucas, 10; Mulvaney, 8; Walker, 2. Northboro—27. Turner, 10; Roderick, 8; Shugrue, 8; McPherson, 10; Gillon, 10.

Summary: Goals by—Clark, 9; Lucas, 8; Follansbee, 5; Turner, 3; Shugrue, 2; Walker, 1. Referee, Gillon. Time, 32 minutes. Three periods of 15 minutes each.

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Wanted—A good strong football team, not a noisy one. Apply Lawrence high school, Lawrence, Mass.

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For Sale—What will you give in exchange for a pair of high top sneakers? I got handed to me up in Fitchburg. No reasonable offer refused. Louis Pieper.

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Loughrey, who is a good two-handed boxer, had no chance to show what he was capable of doing, for Chip went at him in the first round and jabbed and hooked him until he was completely bewildered. Although puzzled by the attack of his opponent Loughrey made a flash near the close of the round and drove both hands to Chip's body. It was only a flash, however, for he was not able to keep up the work. Just before the bell rang Loughrey slipped to the floor.

In the third round Chip beat him unmercifully, but Loughrey came back everything and went back for more. Chip's assortment of blows landed on his head and body, but none of the punches carried force enough to make Loughrey go down.

In the third round Chip forced Loughrey into a neutral corner and punished him terribly. It was patent at this stage that the pace that Chip was carrying Loughrey at was telling on the Quaker City boxer for he moved slower than in the preceding rounds.

Starting the fourth with a left hook to the jaw, Chip made Loughrey bend at the knees. Another left hook sent him down for a count of eight. Loughrey, who was up on his feet, was with his jaw, but he was pale to the core. He faced the music unflinchingly and shortly before the bell rang took a knock on the head. He was badly used up at the conclusion of the round.

He responded strong for the fifth round, but was unable to do anything but assemble a punching hand. The sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth rounds must have been torture for Loughrey, for Chip landed many hard punches.

A left to the jaw just before the towel was tossed on the canvas sent him down. He claimed he had been fouled, but the referee was clearly a fact and the only reason that could be ascribed for Loughrey's claim was that he was bewildered.

Young Donohue, who refereed, awarded the decision to Chip. He also officiated during the George Alger-Walter Butler bout and called it a draw at the end of the eighth round. Many thought the decision should have gone to Alger.

Says a Lawrence exchange:

"If anyone thinks the life of a matchmaker of a fighting club is a cinch job he should consult Jim McPherson. The club, who has met with more disappointments the last week than would fill a book. He had Al Belmont hooked up for Christmas day, but Belmont was taken to the hospital and will not fight for some time. He then had Finney Boyle of Lowell and Larry Benson hooked up. Boyle's eye is in a bad way and he is out of the ring. Then he had a fight with Harry Carlson, but Carlson has been obliged to go under treatment again at New Bedford. He won't fight for some time. Then he had a fight with Steve Kennedy and Larry Burns, but there was a dispute over the referee. The bout he expects to stage is Larry Burns and Pete Martley of Lawrence and Frankie (Young) Walsh of Lowell, in the semi-final of the Christmas day and Joe Barry in the prelim. The show is scheduled for Christmas day afternoon at 3."

Shugrue is well known to the ring followers of this city.

BASKETBALL COMMENT

Paul Clark played a Harry Lough game last night. He had about 13 chances and negotiated nine of them. The Sun has been urging that Clark be used regularly every week, but now no action will be taken.

Basketball is due for a vigorous comeback now that the team has hit its proper stride. The attendance at the game last night was very satisfactory taking everything into consideration.

A local writer says that fans are picking Milford to win the pennant. Probably he means the Milford fans. He should remember that Worcester, Marlboro and Lowell are playing a wonderful game of basketball. The military athletes are about due for a slump.

Referee Gillon is the best basketball decision-maker seen locally in years. He makes it a point to run the game from the start and he is always on the job. His impartial rulings have made a hit with both the players and followers of the sport.

The Northboro team was on hand long before 8 o'clock which gives them the record for prompt appearance. In Manager Simpson, the Northboro lads have a very competent as well as a likeable leader.

The game last night was over very early and the Northboro team was given plenty of time to get their train back home. The games in the future will start promptly at 8.15 o'clock and a few second teams may be seen in action between the periods.

The Lowell team journeyed to Holliston tonight and on Friday evening Manager McCabe's former South Framingham quintet will be tackled at Fitchburg.

Manager Lew's team showed real playing qualities last night, for they lost the first two games lost to Milford and Marlboro were the result of lack of team play. Wait until we meet again.

Maynard comes here for a game Tuesday night after which we will get the record of the Lowell team. Lowell should win all three games if the team keeps up its present pace.

Many old-time followers of the sport are in attendance at the games and Albie Allard has been present on nearly every occasion. Albie is just as good a footer as he was a player.

Charles Keyes, the auctioneer, is another fan who has seen every home game last night. Mr. Keyes usually occupies a front seat in the arena and the gallery so as to be in on all the feature plays.

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HOW HORSES FARE IN WAR

INTERESTING ACCOUNT CONTAINED IN LETTER FROM CHIEF REMOUNT OFFICER

OTTAWA, Canada, Dec. 21.—An interesting official account of how horses fare in war is contained in a report received here from the chief remount officer with the Canadian troops in France. There are approximately 15,000 horses with the Canadian army corps in France, and the report points out that even in modern warfare each infantry division of 21,000 men requires 8,200 horses.

Continuing the report reads: "The horses of a division are taken care of by twelve veterinary officers and one mobile veterinary section of twenty-seven men, which attends to the horses in the field line."

"There is one Canadian field hospital in France composed of three hundred and eighty-seven men and six officers. It has a capacity of one thousand cases, and the work which is done there is really remarkable. Horses, which in previous wars and in civilian life, would be destroyed at once, are treated so successfully that in due course they become fit for military duty in the field line. It is interesting to note that of six hundred and seven horses sent in on one occasion, only twelve died. Five hundred and ninety-five eventually became fit for service, or to be sold as castles for easy duty."

"The men work under the most trying conditions, often exposed to the fire of rifle and big gun. They are up around the lines all the time gathering in wounded horses; their horse-ownership is remarkable. Wounded horses are immediately given first aid. Any horse that can walk is rushed back to the mobile section, or field hospital. His wounds are carefully treated and every care given him."

"During the second battle of Ypres, when the Canadians were pressed to their utmost, at no time was the supply of horses diminished at the firing line. As casualties occurred among battery and transport horses, reinforcements were rushed through the lines. Although our guns were within three hundred yards of the enemy, there never was a wagon or a gun lost in what is known as one of the fiercest engagements that has taken place in this war."

"Horse's wounds heal more rapidly than a man's. Cases of horses with ten bullets in them have been known to report complete recovery within a very few weeks. In fact, some wounded horses have been back in the firing line within a week. If a horse cannot walk, however, he is usually considered a hopeless case, and must be destroyed. These horses and those which are killed outright, are thrown to one side, during an engagement and buried after."

"In the hospitals, cases are divided into contagious diseases and wounds. The hospitals are absolutely modern in every respect. Great care is taken to avoid putting the horses to undue pain. Animals are seldom operated on without chloroform. To date only 16 per cent. of the Canadian horses at the front have succumbed and very few of these died from disease. Most of them are killed in battle."

"Dieting a horse is no simple matter. There are over four hundred diseases to which a horse is subject. As he cannot tell you how he is feeling, it is very difficult to diagnose his ailment. The Canadian veterinarians show great skill in this respect. They use active principal drugs and they have also developed to a high degree the use of serums."

"It is interesting to note the war horses' diet; they are fed three times a day and get an allowance of eighteen pounds of hay, twelve pounds of oats, eight pounds of straw, or in lieu of this, four pounds extra hay and two pounds oats, or any other fodder procurable of equal food value; malt, sugar beet, vegetables, etc. The Canadian horses are rolling in fat since they have been in France."

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The election of Francis M. Qua, registrar of voters, at Tuesday's meeting of the municipal council was a nice compliment to a promising young lawyer, and good fellow, but that's about all, it would seem to be, according to the "statoons" made and floated, etc. It will be recalled that Hon. Horton H. Hilt, was elected registrar of voters in January, 1912. But the election did not hold as the result of an opinion given by City Solicitor Hennessey relative to the time when the election took place. That opinion is on file in the city solicitor's office, and according to some lawyers applies with equal effect to the election of Mr. Qua, in the month of December, 1915.

Section 24 of Chapter 11, of the revised laws of 1902, (re-enacted in 1913) provides for the establishment of the registrars of voters and section 25 reads as follows:

Section 25: In every city, except Boston, and any other city in which the provisions of the preceding section apply, and in every town having over 200 voters, as provided in the following section, there shall be a board of registrars of voters consisting of the city or town clerk and three other persons who in a city shall be appointed by the mayor, with the approval of the aldermen, and in a town by a writing signed by the selectmen and filed by the town clerk. When a board of registrars is first appointed the registrars shall be appointed in March or April, for terms respectively of one, two and three years, beginning with the first day of May next ensuing. In March or April, in every year succeeding the original appointment, one registrar shall be appointed for the term of three years, beginning with the first day of May next ensuing.

Section 27 of the same chapter provides that the registrars shall be appointed so as to represent equally the two leading political parties in the preceding state election. The power of the mayor to appoint passed to the municipal council under section 21 of the new charter making no change in the time for holding the election. Hence when the first city government under the new form of government elected Hon. Horton H. Hilt, a registrar in January for a term not at that time expired, the validity of the election was disputed and the city solicitor gave an opinion to the effect that the election could be held only during the months provided for in the revised laws. Those months are March or April. Mr. Qua was elected in December.

It may be claimed that because the term had expired and the incumbent was holding over the time limit in the statutes, does not apply. This would appear to be a question for the court to decide. If Mr. Qua has a legal claim to the office, he can be relied upon to maintain it. Whether or not he was returning a double-cross handed him some time ago, Col. Carmichael certainly slipped a surprise over on the mayor and Commissioner Morse, who were ardent supporters of Fred H. Harrison, for registrar of voters. Messrs. Duncan and Putnam were known to favor Mr. Qua while it was supposed that Col. Carmichael was uncompromisingly for Chas. H. Anderson. When the mayor and called for it, he said, the mayor and Commissioner Morse were very confident that the colonel would stick to Anderson and hence had no fear of the result. But he didn't and when the voting had finished Commissioner Morse remarked to him: "It didn't take you long to change your mind."

Some Poor Losers
Just why a man should become abusive and use real rough language in public places just because his candidate lost and he incidentally lost some money on him is what the members of a well known ward four social club

can't understand, after the exhibition put up at the club by a young man a few evenings ago.

"Sulphur" City Property
According to report, some people fail to realize that the fact that the city owns the property in Kirk and Anne streets does not mean that it's everybody's property who wants a piece of it. For house fixtures and other adjuncts of the property which now belongs to the city have begun to disappear with surprising regularity, despite the close watch placed upon it by Commissioner Putnam. Just what means the city will adopt to remove the buildings has not been decided. A Boston concern which makes a business of tearing down buildings and removing the debris is said to be after the Lowell job, through its local agent, and is ready to make the city an offer.

Talking Plan B
Now it is said some of the disappointed ones want the charter tinkered with again and Plan B, so-called, adopted. But as the citizenship at large is not governed by disappointed pols, it is not likely that any such movement can gain much headway.

For New Firehouses

The recommendation of Fire Chief Saunders, that a new firehouse for a combination wagon should be established in the upper Highlands, somewhere near Stevens street, would indicate that the agitation for the firehouse by the different candidates during the election was about to bear fruit. All the candidates took a crack at that fire protection situation in the Highlands while the crowded condition of the schools also occupied their attention, and we may yet hear of some schoolhouse additions being planned in that section. One candidate, who is now in the Highlands district to be impressed by the rapidly increasing number of dwellings in that section, or even to simply ride on a Highland car. Owing to building restrictions, the residents of the Highlands can't crowd each other uncomfortably. But there are no restrictions on the Bay State's Highland car line and the firehouse is certainly brought close together when riding to and from the city proper.

Hannagan on Civil Service

Says the Lawrence American:
Claiming that he would abide by the evident desires of the public, Alderman Paul Hannagan, who was defeated for re-election as commissioner of public engineering, stated this morning that he would make no attempt to place in the present city laborers under the protection of the civil service. "I am satisfied," he said, "that the proposed order would not receive a majority vote and maybe it will be for the best not to introduce it at this time."

"I am convinced," said Alderman Hannagan, "that the laborers must be placed under the civil service and until that is done, there will be this continued trouble and turmoil. Perhaps it would not do to introduce it at this particular time, but I believe that they should be protected."

"The majority of the people apparently voted to have a change and I shall abide by their wishes and will not introduce an order to place the present city laborers under the civil service."

Dr. Tighe's Request

The request of Dr. M. A. Tighe, city physician, for an increase in salary is a most reasonable one, in the minds of all who are familiar with the work done and the time put in by that painstaking official. The salary has not been increased in nearly half a

century. For years the job was a sin-cour, for it simply meant a daily visit (perhaps) to the Chelmsford street hospital and an occasional Saturday night visit to the police station. But those days are gone and now the position of city physician is an important one and has been filled in eminently satisfactory manner by Dr. Tighe. People as a rule do not realize the importance of some of the positions of certain city officials which on account of their nature seldom get into the limelight. Until the late Mayor Allen built up the milk inspection department some years ago, it was a joke department paying the milk inspector \$300 or \$400 per year, and the principal qualification required of the inspector was the political pull necessary to land the job. Until Dr. Thomas B. Smith developed the bacteriological department into one of the finest in New England this too, was a department of minor importance. For a long time Dr. Smith's salary was a joke compared with the great amount of valuable work he performed. Dr. Frank Finnegan is at present doing good work and developing a new and important department, that of inspecting the city's tuberculosis cases. These are positions about which little gets into the papers but they are most important and each should be adequately compensated and equipped.

Why Not Advertise

The city has a big lot of buildings and their situation is so good, which might bring a substantial price in the market, if properly advertised. It is not enough to advertise such a big proposition locally, but the Boston papers and those devoted to the building trades and to real estate should be made acquainted with the fact that the city has the big parcels of property on its hands. If there's a chance to get back a few thousand dollars why not go after the money?

THE SPELLBINDER.

WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS

AUSTRALIAN OFFICIAL SAYS ACTION WILL NOT AFFECT AUSTRALIAN FORCES

MELBOURNE, via London, Dec. 22.—George Foster Pearce, Australian minister of state for defence, in a speech delivered here said the withdrawal of the British troops from the Anzac cove and Suvla bay regions of the Gallipoli peninsula would neither lessen the determination of the Australians to see the war through nor affect a new effort to raise men.

RETIRED IN DISORDER

BERLIN, Dec. 22 (By wireless to Saybrook).—A dispatch received here from Constantinople reiterates the assertion that the British forces which quit the Dardanelles retired in great disorder. "According to Constantinople reports," says the Overseas News agency, "the British left their sick and wounded behind. Their retreat, which they pretend was carried out systematically, in reality was a head-over-heels flight."

RESULT OF ERROR

WELLINGTON, New Zealand, Dec. 22, via London.—It is better to face the position and be done with it than to proceed with an enterprise which is commonly believed to have been the result of an error in judgment, was the comment of William Ferguson Masey, premier of New Zealand, relative to the abandonment by the British of the Anzac Cove region of the Gallipoli peninsula. He called on the country to forget personal and political animosities and present a united front to the enemy.

CHESS TOURNAMENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Chess players from Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton universities began here today their 24th annual tournament. The games will continue for three days. Columbia has a record of 10 victories in previous years against nine for Harvard.

FRANCIS M. QUAREADY TO SIGN TREATY

Newly Elected Registrar of Voters Qualified for Office Today

Francis M. Qua, who was elected registrar of voters at the meeting of the municipal council yesterday, appeared this morning before the city



FRANCIS M. QUAREADY

clerk and qualified for the position.

Mr. Qua is associated with the firm of Qua, Howard and Rogers in the till-dreth building, and is the son of Francis W. Qua and brother of Stanley E. Qua of the same firm. He was born in Lowell, attended the public schools and graduated from the Lowell high school in 1901. He then went to Dartmouth college from which he graduated in 1911. After graduating from Dartmouth he took up the study of law at the Harvard law school and was admitted to the bar Aug. 23, 1914. Mr. Qua resides at 236 Parkview avenue. He is very popular among the members of his profession and is regarded by a wide circle of friends as a young man of marked ability, scholarly attainments and distinctive personality.

SIX-DAY BICYCLE RACE

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Chicago is to have another six-day bicycle race. The event, according to plans announced today, will start on Feb. 5. Instead of continuous racing of 24 hours a day, the riders will race only 12 hours a day. Virtually the same riders who competed in the recent event here and in New York have been entered.

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SWALLOWED CORROSIVE

GEORGE SHEPPARD OF NORTH CHELMSFORD TOOK POISON INSTEAD OF HEADACHE POWDER

George Sheppard, a well known resident of North Chelmsford had a close call from death Monday evening when he swallowed a quantity of corrosive sublimate in powdered form in mistake for a headache powder. Mr. Sheppard, who is employed in Mrs. John Marshall's store at Stevens corner had been troubled with pains in his head for about three days. On Monday evening he was taken with another serious attack while eating his supper. He sought relief by taking what he thought to be a headache powder but instead swallowed a quantity of the corrosive prescription in his haste.

The mistake was quickly noticed by Mrs. Sheppard who speedily gave him emetics and summoned medical assistance. The prompt response of the doctor probably saved his life. Mr. Sheppard was talked to over the telephone today by a San representative and although he is up and about he is still in bad shape from the effects of the poison.

NAVAL ADVISORY BOARD

PROBLEMS AFFECTING UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER CONSIDERATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Problems affecting the United States navy are under consideration by members of the naval advisory board, who are here today for their second general meeting. Sessions of the board will continue tomorrow. After the preliminaries of the last three months the board is now ready to consider formally the important questions referred to it.

In the course of its meetings the board will visit the New York navy yard where a division of the Atlantic fleet is assembled.

The board is devoted partly to matters of committees. This evening the members of the board will have an informal conference with Rear Admiral Griffiths, Strauss and Taylor, appointed by Secretary Daniels as general advisory council from the navy department. Capt. Bristol, director of naval aeronautics, is expected to come from Washington to attend the meetings.

SEND MONEY TO PARIS

MARSEILLES, Dec. 22.—Eighteen million francs constituting the Serbian treasury have arrived here on the way to Paris. The money will be deposited in the Franco-Serbian bank at the capital.

PRES. GOODRICH DEAD

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 22.—Calvin C. Goodrich, president of the Twin City Rapid Transit Co., died today. He had been connected with local street railways since 1877.

NOT ON PEACE MISSION

COL. HOUSE GOING TO EUROPE—ANNOUNCEMENT CAUSES GREAT INTEREST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Announcement by Col. E. A. House of New York, President Wilson's close personal friend and adviser, that he soon would go to Europe at the request of the president and the secretary of state, caused great interest in official and diplomatic circles today. Secretary Lansing confirmed the announcement, but declined to add to it.

Col. House's statement declared that the sole object of his mission would be to take to the American ambassadors at the capitals of the warring nations certain information regarding the Washington government's attitude on international questions. It was declared that he would go on a peace mission.

Officials today declined to discuss Col. House's mission owing to its delicate nature, nor would they make any response to questions as to whether he would make formal inquiries regarding prospects of peace.

The trip will be the second one made by Col. House. Last spring he visited Germany, France and England and talked with high government officials.

At the time of the first trip it was reported that Col. House acted as a personal emissary of President Wilson and that he went on a peace mission.

This Col. House denied, although later he reported to the president on his observations of the state of public opinion abroad. While what he told the president never became known, it was learned that his picture of the situation did not change the president's belief that the time there was inappropriate for initiating a peace movement.

PRES. WILSON'S STATEMENT
HOT SPRINGS, Va., Dec. 22.—President Wilson said today that the European trip of his friend, Col. E. A. House, was in no way connected with the peace movement but was entirely

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